

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 2011

RE: S.B. No. 1346  
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 1346 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO  
STANDARDS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to allow electrical energy generated through customer-sited, grid-connected renewable energy generation to be counted toward renewable portfolio standard goals beginning January 1, 2015, to help electric utilities meet their renewable portfolio standard goals.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Richard C. Lim, Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; the Sierra Club, Hawai'i Chapter; and Scott Seu, Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Mark Duda, Hawaii Solar Energy Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure from Carlito P. Caliboso, Public Utilities Commission; and Warren Bollmeier, Hawaii Renewable Energy Alliance.

Your Committee recognizes that allowing an electric utility to count electricity produced through customer-sited, grid-connected renewable energy generation toward its renewable portfolio standard encourages the connection of these renewable sources to the grid thereby leading to greater overall energy independence for the State.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that net electricity delivered to a utility shall be included under the definition of renewable electrical energy that counts toward an electric utility's renewable portfolio standard;
- (2) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on this measure; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1346, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1346, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Energy and  
Environment,



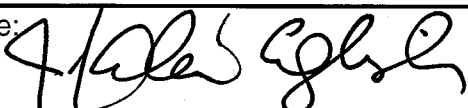
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MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Energy and Environment**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1346	ENE, CPN	1 Feb 2011		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	/			
GREEN, M.D., Josh	/			
IHARA, Jr., Les				/
SLOM, Sam	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	4			1
Recommendation:				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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