

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **820**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 06 2015**

RE: S.B. No. 1051  
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1051, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUEL CELL ELECTRIC VEHICLES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage and facilitate wider use of fuel cell electric vehicles.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Amends the definition of "electric vehicle" to include fuel cell electric vehicles for purposes of parking exemptions, HOV lane use, registration, and designated parking spaces in places of public accommodation;
- (2) Grants procurement priority for fuel cell electric vehicles for state and county purchases; and
- (3) Amends the definition of "electric vehicle charging system" in section 291-71, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to exclude a facility or system for refueling the hydrogen storage tank of a fuel cell electric vehicle.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Hawaii Energy Policy Forum; and one individual.



Your Committee finds that extending certain privileges relating to the operation and parking of fuel cell electric vehicles will encourage their use, thereby reducing fossil fuel consumption and emissions associated with vehicles powered by fossil fuels. Unlike vehicles powered by gasoline or other fossil fuels, fuel cell electric vehicles convert hydrogen and oxygen into electricity to charge an onboard battery and power the vehicle. Because they produce no dangerous emissions, fuel cell electric vehicles further the State's clean energy goals.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1051, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,



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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB1051 SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>ENE/TRA/ENV, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2/27/15</b>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				✓
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>				
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