

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1527**-18

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 28**, 2018

RE: H.C.R. No. 232

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 232 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO REFORM AND AMEND THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT OF 1965 AND OTHER RELEVANT FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAWS TO CLASSIFY CLIMATE-RELATED MIGRANTS AS REFUGEES IN ORDER TO RECEIVE GREATER LEGAL STATUS AND PROTECTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the United States Congress to reform and amend the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1965 and other relevant federal immigration laws to classify climate-related migrants as refugees in order that they may receive greater legal status and protection.

Life of the Land and three individuals supported this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 232 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

HCR232 HSCR EEP HMS 2018-3147



Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Energy &  
Environmental Protection,

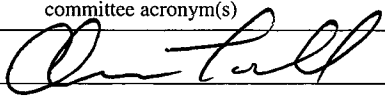
*Wade C. Lowe for*  
CHRIS LEE, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HCR 232	<b>Committee Referral:</b> EEP, JUD	<b>Date:</b> 03/20/2018		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
<b>EEP Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. LEE, Chris (C)				✓
2. LOWEN, Nicole E. (VC)	✓			
3. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	✓			
4. KONG, Sam Satoru	✓			
5. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
6. TODD, Chris	✓			
7. YAMANE, Ryan I.				✓
8. MCDERMOTT, Bob		✓		
<b>TOTAL (8)</b>	5	1	0	2
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <span style="margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____ <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 2em; margin-top: -10px;">  </div>				
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