

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

February 15, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1584
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 1584, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CARBON EMISSIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the University of Hawai'i to conduct a comprehensive study of implementing a statewide carbon tax.

The Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, The Nature Conservancy Hawaii, Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice, Progressive Democrats of Hawai'i, Hawai'i Health & Harm Reduction Center, Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition, Young Progressives Demanding Action, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Citizens' Climate Lobby, Americans for Democratic Action, Blue Planet Foundation, Ulupono Initiative, Young Democrats of Hawaii, and several individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Office of Planning, Sierra Club of Hawai'i, and Elemental Excelerator provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by requiring the University of Hawai'i to provide status reports and solicit feedback at the quarterly meetings of the Hawai'i Climate Change

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Mitigation and Adaptation Commission until a final report that incorporates feedback received is submitted to the Legislature.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1584, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1584, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROY M. TAKUMI, Chair



