

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1548

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 5, 2013

RE: S.B. No. 120  
S.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which  
was referred S.B. No. 120, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to authorize the Public  
Utilities Commission to implement economic incentives and cost  
recovery methods to:

- (1) Support electric utilities' cost reduction efforts;
- (2) Encourage greater utilization of renewable energy;
- (3) Accelerate the retirement of fossil fuel-powered  
electricity generation facilities; and
- (4) Increase investments to modernize the State's electric  
grid.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the  
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, Public  
Utilities Commission, Blue Planet Foundation, and one concerned  
individual.

Comments on this measure were submitted by the Division of  
Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.



Your Committee finds that authorizing the Public Utilities Commission to establish policies and implement economic incentives and cost recovery regulatory mechanisms will encourage and support electric utilities to transition to a cleaner, more sustainable electricity production and distribution system.

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 S.B. No. 120, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



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ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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**Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> SB120 SD1	<b>Committee Referral:</b> EEP, CPC	<b>Date:</b> 4/1/13		
<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)				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)				/
2. KAWAKAMI, Derek S.K. (VC)	/			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	/			
4. BROWER, Tom	/			
5. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				/
6. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
7. CARROLL, Mele				/
8. EVANS, Cindy	/			
9. HAR, Sharon E.				/
10. ITO, Ken				/
11. LEE, Chris	/			
12. TSUJI, Clift	/			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	/			
14. MCDERMOTT, Bob				/
15. THIELEN, Cynthia	/			
<b>TOTAL (15)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>6</b>
<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: 200px;">committee acronym(s)</span>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____ 				
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