

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 449 -24

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 2367  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2024  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, to which was referred H.B. No. 2367 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify that the Chief Energy Officer, not the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, shall be responsible for supporting renewable portfolio standards and reporting on certain energy matters.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; and Hawaii State Energy Office.

Your Committee finds that Act 122, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, transferred the duties and responsibilities of the State Energy Coordinator and the functions of the Renewable Energy Facilitator and the then existing State Energy Office to a newly created Hawaii State Energy Office and Chief Energy Officer. Your Committee further finds that as an oversight, Act 122 did not provide the Chief Energy Officer with the responsibility to support renewable portfolio standards and report on certain energy matters and finds that these responsibilities should be under the Chief Energy Officer's purview.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2367, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2367, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



NICOLE E. LOWEN, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 2367</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EEP, FIN</b>	Date: <b>2/1/24</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
EEP Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LOWEN, Nicole E. (C)	✓			
2. COCHRAN, Elle (VC)	✓			
3. GATES, Cedric Asuega	✓			
4. KAHALOA, Kirstin	✓			
5. PERRUSO, Amy A.	✓			✓
6. WOODSON, Justin H.				✓
7. WARD, Gene				✓
TOTAL (7)	5			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted         If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee action/rails</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Elle Cochran</u>				
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