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SB 2283 SD2 – RELATING TO THE HAWAII HYDROGEN STRATEGIC PLAN

Chair Lowen, Vice Chair Marten, and members of the committee:

SB 2283 SD2 requires the Hawai'i Natural Energy Institute (HNEI) to conduct a study to examine the State's ability to advance hydrogen production from local renewable energy resources and develop the Hawai'i Hydrogen Strategic Plan utilizing the results of its study. The bill requires a preliminary report prior to the 2023 legislative session with a full report prior to the 2024 legislative session and an update every 4 years after beginning in 2028.

HNEI supports SB 2283 SD2.

In developing the hydrogen strategy HNEI will endeavor to make it consistent with and supportive of other broader state planning efforts.

HNEI has sufficient barrel tax funding to perform the work currently requested.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony on SB 2283 SD2.