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COMMENTS SB 2662 SD2 RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION WASTE.

Chair Lowen, Vice Chair Marten, and Members of the Committee, the Hawaii State Energy Office (HSEO) supports the intent and offers comments on SB 2662 SD2, which requires state building codes to incorporate the international green construction code and sets specific targets for the recycling, reuse, donation, and resale of non-hazardous construction waste.

HSEO's comments are guided by its mission to promote energy efficiency, renewable energy, and clean transportation to help achieve a resilient, clean energy, decarbonized economy.

HSEO supports the targets for construction waste diversion, reuse and recycling, including "conversion of construction or demolition waste material into fuel for transportation or renewable gaseous fuel" as an important step to achieve a decarbonized economy.

HSEO notes there is currently no system in place to track, verify, and inspect the documentation for construction and demolition (C&D) recycling by the state or counties.

HSEO also notes incorporation of the IGCC into the State Building Code (SBC) requires staffing of the State Building Code Council and specific industry expertise in

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order to implement, administer and verify the IGCC requirements and the separate public and private building targets.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.