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> Testimony of MARK B. GLICK, Chief Energy Officer

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> > In Support of **SB 2537**

RELATING TO ENERGY.

Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and members of the Committee, I am writing in support of SB 2537 which clarifies reporting responsibilities consistent with Act 122, SLH 2019.

This measure is entirely one of technical corrections to Sections 196-10.5, 196-41, and 201-12.8, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, that were missed when the Legislature created the Chief Energy Officer position. Act 122, SLH 2019, transferred the duties and responsibilities of the Energy Resources Coordinator attributed by statute to the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism Director to a newly created Chief Energy Officer position that manages an updated Hawai'i State Energy Office. SB 2537 changes references to the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism to the Chief Energy Officer to properly designate the responsible party to prepare and submit reports required of the Hawai'i State Energy Office.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.