



January 23, 2020

Honolulu City Council
Zoning, Planning and Housing Committee
Support for Bill 25, "Relating to the Adoption of the State Energy Conservation Code"
January 23, 2019, 10:00 AM hearing

Aloha Chair Menor and members of the Zoning, Planning and Housing Committee,

I am testifying in strong support of Bill 25, "Relating to the Adoption of the State Energy Conservation Code."

Energy policy can have a great impact on society and health. Energy efficiency and conservation are seen as effective means of limiting energy use and demand to reduce public health impacts. The significant, cost-effective changes proposed in Bill 25 will help to dramatically reduce the greenhouse gas emissions from our new homes and buildings while helping to foster our transition to clean transportation. Changes that include energy efficiency measures, solar heating and electric vehicle-readiness will create higher efficiency standards and energy cost-savings to help our island progress towards a livable, stable future.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on important health issues affecting people in Hawai'i.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Claire Townsend Ing", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Claire Townsend Ing, DrPH
Legislative Committee Chair