



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

GOV. MSG. NO. **692**

June 2, 2006

The Honorable Robert Bunda, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 003
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on June 2, 2006, the following bill was signed into law:

SB3185 SD2 HD2 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY.
(ACT 162)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle".

LINDA LINGLE

THE SENATE
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2006
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 3185
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENERGY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 269, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding four new sections to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§269-A Public benefits fund; authorization. (a) The
5 public utilities commission, by order or rule, may redirect all
6 or a portion of the funds collected through the current
7 demand-side management surcharge by Hawaii's electric utilities
8 into a public benefits fund that may be established by the
9 public utilities commission.

10 (b) If the public utilities commission establishes a
11 public benefits fund, the surcharge shall be known as the public
12 benefits fee. Moneys in the fund shall be ratepayer funds that
13 shall be used to support energy-efficiency and demand-side
14 management programs and services, subject to the review and
15 approval of the public utilities commission. These moneys shall
16 not be available to meet any current or past general obligations
17 of the State.

1 SECTION 7. In codifying the new sections added by section
2 1 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute
3 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
4 the new sections in this Act.

5 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII


Approved this day: JUN 2 2006




THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 2, 2006
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.

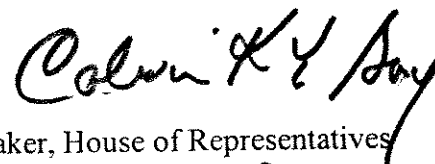

President of the Senate



Clerk of the Senate

**THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII**

Date: May 2, 2006
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006.


Speaker, House of Representatives


Clerk, House of Representatives