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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. In May 2002, the University of Hawaii gathered  
2 major energy and policy stakeholders in Hawaii to convene as the  
3 Hawaii energy policy forum. The purpose of the policy forum was  
4 to develop an energy vision for Hawaii through the year 2030 and  
5 to formulate strategies consistent with implementing that  
6 vision. Accordingly, facilitated discussions were conducted on  
7 Hawaii's preferred energy future and the issues and constraints  
8 that would be encountered in achieving that preferred future.  
9 Incorporating a science- and fact-based approach, policy studies  
10 were conducted to provide baseline information and review of  
11 various environmental, regulatory, economic, social, and  
12 cultural issues relating to Hawaii's energy future.

13           In December 2003, the policy forum convened a policy summit  
14 to provide a community-based forum for review of its work and  
15 recommendations. The final report of the policy forum, "Hawaii  
16 at the Crossroads: A Long Term Energy Strategy," sets forth  
17 recommended guiding principles and policy options to meet  
18 Hawaii's long term energy needs.



1       The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to  
2 reconvene the policy forum for the purpose of implementing the  
3 vision, concepts, and recommendations of the policy forum's  
4 final report, and the resulting "Ten Point Plan" to meet  
5 Hawaii's energy goals. This will provide a unique opportunity  
6 for stakeholders to continue their work from planning to  
7 implementation and for further engagement of policy- and  
8 decision-makers and consumers on issues relevant to creating  
9 Hawaii's preferred energy future.

10       SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$200,000 or so much  
12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 to  
13 reconvene the Hawaii energy policy forum for the purpose of:

- 14       (1) Developing a detailed action plan and timeline to  
15       implement the recommendations of the Hawaii energy  
16       policy forum's "Ten Point Plan" to meet Hawaii's  
17       energy goals;
- 18       (2) Developing tangible goals, objectives, desired  
19       outcomes, and actions to implement the energy vision  
20       and strategy of the Hawaii energy policy forum;
- 21       (3) Developing benchmarks for measuring outcomes of energy  
22       implementation strategies;



1           (4) Further engaging Hawaii's business, government, labor,  
2           and community leaders and integrating them into the  
3           policy activities and discussions of the Hawaii energy  
4           policy forum;

5           (5) Developing greater community and public awareness  
6           about Hawaii's energy needs and the goals and  
7           activities of the Hawaii energy policy forum; and

8           (6) Seeking additional funding for statewide  
9           implementation of, and public education regarding, the  
10          recommendations and goals of the Hawaii energy policy  
11          forum.

12          The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
13          business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of  
14          this Act.

15          SECTION 3. The Hawaii energy policy forum shall submit a  
16          report on the detailed action plan and timeline to the  
17          legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
18          the regular session of 2007.

19          SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



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**Report Title:**

Energy; Hawaii Energy Policy Forum

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to reconvene the Hawaii Energy Policy Forum to develop an action plan, timeline, and benchmarks, and to further engage Hawaii's leaders and stakeholders in implementing the Forum's visions, concepts, and recommendations for Hawaii's preferred energy future. Report to Legislature. (HB2848 HD2)

