A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that it is in the public
- 2 interest to encourage the development of facilities to convert
- 3 renewable energy resources into electrical energy to be made
- 4 available for consumption by the general public. The
- 5 legislature further finds that Hui Mana 'Oma'o is engaged in the
- 6 development of facilities to convert potential renewable energy
- 7 resources into electrical energy to be made available for
- 8 consumption by the general public. The legislature finds that
- 9 such encouragement is urgently needed on the island of Oahu,
- 10 where more than \$2,000,000 is spent daily on imported fossil
- 11 fuels for the generation of electricity.
- 12 SECTION 2. The legislature finds and declares that the
- 13 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in
- 14 the public interest and for the public health, safety, and
- 15 general welfare.
- 16 SECTION 3. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 17 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the



- 1 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
- 2 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$38,000,000, in
- 3 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting Hui Mana 'Oma'o
- 4 or an enterprise or commercial entity in which Hui Mana 'Oma'o
- 5 possesses a vested equity interest, for establishment of
- 6 facilities to convert renewable energy resources into electrical
- 7 energy. The legislature hereby finds and determines that the
- 8 combining of two or more intermittent renewable energy resources
- 9 for the purpose of enhancing the reliability of the resulting
- 10 electrical energy produced constitutes a project as defined in
- 11 part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the financing
- 12 thereof is assistance to an industrial enterprise.
- SECTION 4. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 14 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 15 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 16 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 17 bonds to assist industrial enterprises.
- 18 SECTION 5. The department of budget and finance is
- 19 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 20 June 30, 2013, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in
- 21 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be
- 22 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized



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- 1 in section 3 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds
- 2 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the
- 3 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special
- 4 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of
- 5 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue
- 6 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in
- 7 section 3. In making this determination, the department shall
- 8 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal
- 9 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature
- 10 authorized by this section.
- 11 SECTION 6. The authorization to issue special purpose
- 12 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2013.
- 13 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

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Description:

Authorizes special purpose revenue bonds to Hui Mana 'Oma'o for the establishment of facilities to convert renewable energy resources into electrical energy. (HB2661 SD2)