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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE ENTERPRISE ZONES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that adding businesses
2 engaged in the development or production of various types of
3 renewable energy to the state enterprise zone program will
4 stimulate business, agricultural, and industrial growth. The
5 legislature further finds that adding other forms of renewable
6 resources including sun, falling water, biogas, geothermal,
7 ocean water, currents and waves, biomass, biofuels, and hydrogen
8 production from renewable energy sources into the state
9 enterprise zone program is consistent with currently approved
10 business activities, which include wind energy production. This
11 Act will provide the impetus to help attract renewable energy
12 businesses to Hawaii and further the State's renewable energy
13 goals.

14 The purpose of this Act is to expand eligible business
15 activity in the state enterprise zones to include the
16 development or production of various types of renewable energy.



1 SECTION 2. Section 209E-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending the definition of "eligible business
3 activity" to read as follows:

4 "Eligible business activity" means the:

5 (1) Manufacture of tangible personal property, the
6 wholesale sale of tangible personal property as
7 described in section 237-4, or a service business as
8 defined in this section;

9 (2) Production of agricultural products where the business
10 is a producer as defined in section 237-5, or the
11 processing of agricultural products, all or some of
12 which were grown within an enterprise zone;

13 (3) Research, development, sale, or production of all
14 types of genetically-engineered medical, agricultural,
15 or maritime biotechnology products; or

16 (4) ~~[Production of electric power from wind energy for~~
17 ~~sale primarily to a public utility company for resale~~
18 ~~to the public.] Development or production of fuels,~~
19 ~~thermal energy, or electrical energy from renewable~~
20 ~~resources, including:~~

21 (A) Wind;

22 (B) The sun;



- 1 (C) Falling water;
- 2 (D) Biogas, including landfill and sewage-based
- 3 digester gas;
- 4 (E) Geothermal;
- 5 (F) Ocean water, currents, and waves, including ocean
- 6 thermal energy conversion;
- 7 (G) Biomass, including biomass crops, agricultural
- 8 and animal residue and waste, and solid waste;
- 9 (H) Biofuels; and
- 10 (I) Hydrogen produced from renewable energy sources."

11 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2010.

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Report Title:

State Enterprise Zones; Renewable Energy

Description:

Expands eligible business activity in state enterprise zones by including the development or production of various types of renewable energy.

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