

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

GOV. MSG. NO. 1341

June 27, 2013

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 27, 2013, the following bill was signed into law:

SB1280 SD2 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST A SEAWATER PROJECT ACT 238 (13)

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawaii Approved by the Governor on _______ JUN 2 7 2013 _____ THE SENATE TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 238 S.B. NO. 5.D. 2 H.D. 1 C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST A SEAWATER PROJECT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that support for the
- 2 development of efficient energy systems in Hawaii, which is
- 3 geographically isolated from sources of oil, continues to be in
- 4 the public interest.
- 5 The legislature further finds that the natural energy
- 6 laboratory of Hawaii authority currently has the infrastructure
- 7 to support a seawater air conditioning district cooling system
- 8 to serve Kona and nearby areas on the island of Hawaii.
- 9 The issuance of special purpose revenue bonds and refunding
- 10 special purpose revenue bonds under this Act to assist Kona
- 11 SWAC, LLC, in constructing a portion of its district cooling
- 12 system will make the statewide development of such a system more
- 13 economically feasible and provide numerous benefits. Among
- 14 other benefits, it is expected that this system will make
- 15 significant use of an existing fifty-five inch deep seawater
- 16 pipeline at the natural energy laboratory of Hawaii authority in
- 17 which capacity remains mostly unused, and that additional

- 1 offshore work or offshore environmental permits will be
- 2 unnecessary.
- 3 SECTION 2. The legislature finds and declares that the
- 4 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in
- 5 the public interest and for the public health, safety, and
- 6 general welfare.
- 7 SECTION 3. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 8 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the
- 9 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
- 10 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$40,000,000, in
- 11 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting Kona SWAC, LLC,
- 12 a Hawaii limited liability company, for the planning, design,
- 13 construction, equipping, acquisition of land, including
- 14 easements or other interests therein, and other tangible assets
- 15 for a seawater air conditioning district cooling facility and
- 16 chilled water distribution system. The legislature hereby finds
- 17 and determines that a seawater air conditioning district cooling
- 18 facility and chilled water distribution system constitute a
- 19 project as defined in part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 20 Statutes, and the financing thereof is assistance to an
- 21 industrial enterprise.

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- 1 SECTION 4. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 2 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 3 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 4 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 5 bonds to assist an industrial enterprise.
- 6 SECTION 5. The department of budget and finance is
- 7 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 8 June 30, 2018, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in
- 9 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be
- 10 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized
- 11 in section 3 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds
- 12 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the
- 13 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special
- 14 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of
- 15 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue
- 16 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in
- 17 section 3. In making this determination, the department shall
- 18 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal
- 19 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature
- 20 authorized by this section.
- 21 SECTION 6. The authorization to issue special purpose
- 22 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2018.

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1 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

APPROVED this 2 7

day of

JUN

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII