HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST A SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING PROJECT IN WAIKIKI.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that support for the
 development of efficient energy systems in Hawaii, which is
 geographically isolated from sources of oil, continues to be in
 the public interest.

5 The legislature further finds that Kaiuli Energy LLC 6 proposes to build a seawater air conditioning district cooling 7 system to serve Waikiki and nearby areas on the island of Oahu. 8 Kaiuli Energy LLC is engaged in the planning, design, and 9 construction of such a system, including a seawater air 10 conditioning district cooling facility and chilled water distribution system, using cold, deep seawater as the primary 11 12 cooling source.

13 The legislature further finds that the issuance of special 14 purpose revenue bonds and refunding special purpose revenue 15 bonds under this Act to assist Kaiuli Energy LLC in constructing 16 its seawater air conditioning district cooling system will make 17 the development of such a system more economically feasible and



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1	provide n	umerous benefits. Among other benefits, it is expected
2	that the	seawater air conditioning district cooling system will:
3	(1)	Provide customers with reduced and stable cooling
4		costs;
5	(2)	Use an abundant, infinite, renewable energy resource -
6		cold, deep seawater - to provide more than ninety per
7		cent of the cooling load;
8	(3)	Eliminate the need for cooling towers and, as a
9		result, reduce potable water use, toxic chemical use,
10		and sewage;
11	(4)	Greatly reduce the use of harmful chemicals
12		(refrigerants) used in conventional cooling systems;
13	(5)	Provide substantial energy cost savings compared to
14		conventional air conditioning systems;
15	(6)	Have lower operating and maintenance costs than
16		individual building air conditioning systems;
17	(7)	Generate millions of dollars in construction project
18		spending and also create long-term jobs relating to
19		the operation of the system; and
20	(8)	Help the State, the city and county of Honolulu, and
21		the federal government meet goals and mandates for
22		energy efficiency.



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SECTION 2. The legislature finds and declares that the
 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in
 the public interest and for the public health, safety, and
 general welfare.

5 SECTION 3. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised 6 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the 7 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose 8 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$200,000,000, in 9 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting Kaiuli Energy 10 LLC, for financing or refinancing the costs relating to the 11 planning, design, and construction of its seawater air 12 conditioning district cooling system, including costs of 13 renovating, equipping of, and acquiring land (including 14 easements or other interests therein) and other tangible assets 15 for, this seawater air conditioning district cooling system. 16 The legislature hereby finds and determines that the activity 17 and facilities of Kaiuli Energy LLC in the development of a 18 seawater air conditioning district cooling 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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SECTION 4. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
 bonds to assist industrial enterprises.

6 SECTION 5. The special purpose revenue bonds issued under 7 this Act may be issued in one or more series for a single 8 project, multiple projects, a single-project party, or multiple-9 project parties pursuant to the authority of this Act or the 10 combined authority of this Act and any one or more other 11 separate Acts of the legislature pursuant to part V, chapter 12 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the department of budget and finance may combine into a single issue of special purpose 13 14 revenue bonds, in one or more series, two or more proposed 15 issues of special purpose revenue bonds to be issued pursuant to 16 part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, separately 17 authorized, in the total amount not to exceed the aggregate of 18 the proposed separate issues of special purpose revenue bonds. 19 SECTION 6. The department of budget and finance is 20 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to 21 June 30, 2018, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in 22 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be



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1 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized 2 in section 3 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds 3 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the 4 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special 5 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of 6 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue 7 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in 8 section 3. In making this determination, the department shall 9 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal 10 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature 11 authorized by this section.

SECTION 7. The authorization to issue special purpose
revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2018.
SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

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Report Title:

Kaiuli Energy LLC; Seawater Air Conditioning District Cooling System; Waikiki; Special Purpose Revenue Bonds

Description:

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds of up to \$200,000,000, for Kaiuli Energy LLC for the planning, design, and construction of its seawater air conditioning district cooling system in and around Waikiki, Oahu. Effective July 1, 2013.

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