A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.

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

1   SECTION 1.   Chapter 269, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated

3 and to read as follows:

4   "§269-___ **Community-based renewable energy tariffs.** (a)

5 The public utilities commission may establish, upon application

6 by an electric utility or upon the commission's own motion, a

7 community-based renewable energy tariff or tariffs to be applied

8 to services provided to customers by an electric utility for the

9 purpose of encouraging the widespread adoption of cost-

10 competitive renewable energy technology in the State.

11   (b) For purposes of this section, "community-based

12 renewable energy tariff" means a tariff approved by the public

13 utilities commission by which electric utility customers may

14 purchase an interest conveying legal ownership in a portion or

15 portions of an eligible renewable energy facility that is

16 selling energy to the utility without respect to the physical

17 siting or interconnection, as defined under section 269-141, of

18 the renewable energy facility, as defined under section 201N-1,

1   and allows an electric utility to implement a billing

2   arrangement to pay those customers for energy purchased by the

3   utility."

4   SECTION 2.   New statutory material is underscored.

5   SECTION 3.   This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:
Community-based Renewable Energy Program; Public Utilities
Commission; Tariff

Description:
Allows the public utilities commission to establish community-
based renewable energy tariffs by which electric utility
customers may own portions of a renewable energy facility that
sells energy to the utility, regardless of the physical siting
or interconnection of the renewable energy facility. Effective
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