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# TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ON SENATE BILL NO. 2369

February 25, 2016 9:30 A.M.

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAII RENEWABLE RESOURCES, LLC

Senate Bill No. 2369 authorizes the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds (SPRB) up to \$30,000,000 to assist Hawaii Renewable Resources, LLC with the development of a natural gas production facility on Maui that will establish and fund food crops, with renewable natural gas and electricity production and related facilities and projects on the island of Maui pursuant to Part V, Chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The Department is providing comments only to advise the Legislature and prospective SPRB parties that should the legislation be approved, approval of the SPRB issuance will require further discussion and satisfactory credit underwriting review of the financing components with respect to any proposed financing.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

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## In SUPPORT of SB 2369 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAII RENEWABLE RESOURCES, LLC

### Before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

### Thursday, February 25, 2016 9:30 a.m.

Aloha, Chair Tokuda, Vice-Chair Dela Cruz and members of the Committee.

My name is Erik Kvam. I am a Director of Renewable Energy Action Coalition of Hawaii (REACH). REACH is a trade association whose vision is a Hawaiian energy economy based 100% on renewable sources indigenous to Hawaii.

### REACH **SUPPORTS** SB 2369.

Through the use of special purpose revenue bonds, Hawaii Renewable Resources, LLC will provide the public with energy security benefits and environmental preservation benefits of renewable energy and food crop production from sources indigenous to Maui, without investment or risk to the State or counties.

Thank you for allowing me to testify.