THE SENATE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025 STATE OF HAWAII **S.B. NO.** ⁹⁹⁷ S.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO 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	" <u>§269-</u> Preferential renewable energy rates; prevailing
5	wages. (a) The public utilities commission may authorize
6	preferential rates for the purchase of renewable energy produced
7	from facilities in conjunction with prevailing wages.
8	(b) Upon receipt of a bona fide request for preferential
9	rates for the purchase of renewable energy produced from
10	facilities in conjunction with prevailing wages, a public
11	utility shall forward the request to the public utilities
12	commission for approval.
13	(c) As used in this section, "prevailing wages" has the
14	same meaning as defined in section 104-1."
15	SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
16	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

PUC; Renewable Energy; Preferential Rates; Prevailing Wages

Description:

Grants the Public Utilities Commission the ability to authorize preferential rates for the purchase of renewable energy from facilities that meet certain prevailing wage requirements. Requires public utilities to forward certain requests for preferential rates to the PUC for approval. (SD1)

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