A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST BIOENERGY HAWAII, LLC.

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

1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that it is in the public
2	interest to encourage the development of cogeneration facilities
3	that make electric energy available to members of the general
4	public by the sale of electric energy to an electric utility
5	serving the area.
6	The legislature also finds that the benefits of the
7	development of cogeneration facilities include:
8	(1) Reduced greenhouse gas emissions;
9	(2) Reduced landfill waste streams;
10	(3) Reduced transportation and disposal costs;
11	(4) Creation of local technical and semi-technical jobs;
12	and
13	(5) Renewable energy for local community through
14	distributed generations.
15	The legislature also finds that BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC is
16	engaged in the development of a cogeneration facility project
17	that will sell the electric energy it produces to electric

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utilities serving the public, by processing non-fossil fuel
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     feedstock to produce electricity, and selling thermal fluid from
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     the process of generating electricity to private entrepreneurs.
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          The legislature further finds that BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC
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    may be assisted through the issuance of special purpose revenue
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    bonds because it is an industrial enterprise pursuant to part V
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    of chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
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          The legislature finds and declares that the issuance of
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    special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in the public
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    interest and for the public health, safety, and general welfare.
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          SECTION 2. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
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    Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the
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    approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
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    revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed $100,000,000, in
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    one or more series, for the purpose of assisting BioEnergy
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    Hawaii, LLC, a Hawaii limited liability company, or a
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    partnership in which BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC is a general partner,
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    for the establishment of a cogeneration facility and related
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    energy production facilities. The electrical output of this
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    plant and facilities shall be made available for use by members
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    of the general public by sale to electric utilities. Thermal
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    fluid output of this plant and related energy production
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- 1 facilities shall be made available to existing and planned
- 2 manufacturing processing entrepreneurs in the area. The
- 3 legislature hereby finds and determines that the activities and
- 4 facilities of BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC constitute a project as
- 5 defined in part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the
- 6 financing thereof is assistance to an industrial enterprise.
- 7 SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 8 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 9 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 10 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 11 bonds to assist industrial enterprises.
- 12 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is
- 13 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 14 June 30, 2014, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in
- 15 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be
- 16 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized
- 17 in section 2 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds
- 18 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the
- 19 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special
- 20 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of
- 21 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue
- 22 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in



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- 1 section 2. In making this determination, the department shall
- 2 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal
- 3 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature
- 4 authorized by this section.
- 5 SECTION 5. The authorization to issue special purpose
- 6 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2014.
- 7 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Description:

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC establish a cogeneration facility and related energy production facilities.

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