H.B. NO. ³⁷¹ H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that current technology
in generating electric power allows for a variety of liquid
fuels. While diesel fuel and fuel oil are used in older
electric power generation technology, newer technology permits
the use of multiple types of liquid fuel, some of which were
previously used for transportation purposes, such as naphtha.

7 Upon finding that the state's highway tax law did not 8 specifically address naphtha when it is used for electric-power 9 generation, the legislature passed legislation, enacted as Act 10 103, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, that imposed a one cent per 11 gallon tax on naphtha when sold for use in a power-generating 12 facility. The provision imposing the one cent per gallon tax is 13 scheduled to sunset on December 31, 2009.

14 The purpose of this Act is to repeal the sunset provision 15 and make the tax permanent.

16 SECTION 2. Act 103, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, is17 amended by amending section 5 to read as follows:



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1 "SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval; 2 provided that [+ 3 (1) The amendments made to this Act to: 4 (A) The definition of "power-generating facility" in 5 section 243-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and (B) Section 243-4(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes; 6 7 shall be repealed on December 31, 2009, and section 8 243-4 (a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be reenacted 9 in the form in which it read on the day before the 10 effective date of this Act; and (2) The] the rate of tax for naphtha as provided for in 11 section 243-4(a)(3), Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be 12 effective retroactively and apply to any imposition of 13 14 the fuel tax on naphtha sold for use in a power-15 generating facility." 16 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 17 18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



H.B. NO. 371 H.D. 1

Report Title:

Sunset; Naphtha Fuel Tax; Power Generation

Description:

Repeals the sunset provision relating to the one cent tax on naphtha fuel used in a power-generating facility. (HB371 HD1)

