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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 The legislature finds that it is in the public SECTION 1. 2 interest to encourage the development of cogeneration facilities 3 that make energy available to members of the general public by 4 the sale of electric energy or biofuels, or both, to an electric 5 utility or refinery, or both, 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; Reduced landfill waste streams; 9 (2) 10 (3) Reduced transportation and disposal costs; 11 (4)Creation of local technical and semi-technical jobs; 12 (5) Renewable energy for local communities through 13 . distributed generations; and
- 14 (6) Reduced dependence on imported fossil fuels for local 15 transportation and energy needs.
- 16 The legislature also finds that BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC, is 17 engaged in the development of a cogeneration facility project

- 1 that will sell energy in the form of electricity or biofuels, or
- 2 both, that it produces to electric utilities or refineries, or
- 3 both, serving the public by processing non-fossil fuel
- 4 feedstock.
- 5 The legislature further finds that BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC,
- 6 may be assisted through the issuance of special purpose revenue
- 7 bonds because it is an industrial enterprise pursuant to part V
- 8 of chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
- 9 The legislature finds and declares that the issuance of
- 10 special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in the public
- 11 interest and for the public health, safety, and general welfare.
- 12 SECTION 2. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 13 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the
- 14 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
- 15 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$100,000,000, in
- 16 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting BioEnergy
- 17 Hawaii, LLC, a Hawaii limited liability company, or a
- 18 partnership in which BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC, is a general
- 19 partner, for the establishment of a cogeneration facility and
- 20 related energy production facilities. The electrical output or
- 21 biofuels energy, or both, of this plant and facilities shall be
- 22 made available for use by members of the general public by sale



- 1 to electric utilities or refineries, or both, serving the
- 2 public. Thermal fluid output of this plant and related energy
- 3 production facilities shall be made available to existing and
- 4 planned manufacturing processing entrepreneurs in the area. The
- 5 legislature hereby finds and determines that the activities and
- 6 facilities of BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC, constitute a project as
- 7 defined in part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the
- 8 financing thereof is assistance to an industrial enterprise.
- 9 SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 10 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 11 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 12 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 13 bonds to assist industrial enterprises.
- 14 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is
- 15 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 16 June 30, 2016, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in
- 17 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be
- 18 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized
- 19 in section 2 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds
- 20 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the
- 21 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special
- 22 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of



- redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue 1
- 2 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in
- 3 In making this determination, the department shall
- comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal 4
- income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature 5
- 6 authorized by this section.
- 7 The authorization to issue special purpose
- 8 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2016.
- 9 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 for electrical output or biofuels energy, or both.

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