## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PACIFIC POWER AND WATER COMPANY, INC.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the development of
- 2 clean and renewable energy is in the best interest of the
- 3 public. Development of hydropower projects would help achieve
- 4 renewable energy targets of the State, promote Hawaii's water
- 5 resources as a source of renewable energy, and reduce Hawaii's
- 6 reliance on imported oil. The legislature finds that the
- 7 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in
- 8 the public interest and beneficial for the public health,
- 9 safety, and welfare.
- 10 SECTION 2. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 11 Statues, the department of budget and finance, with the approval
- 12 of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose revenue
- 13 bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$ in one or more
- 14 series, for the purpose of assisting Pacific Power and Water
- 15 Company, Inc., with the planning, permitting, designing,
- 16 constructing, equipping, and operating of hydropower plants at
- 17 locations throughout Hawaii. The legislature hereby finds and

- 1 determines that the planning, permitting, designing,
- 2 constructing, equipping, and operating of hydropower plants
- 3 constitute a project as defined in part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii
- 4 Revised Statutes, and the financing thereof is in assistance to
- 5 an industrial enterprise.
- 6 SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 7 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 8 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 9 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 10 bonds to assist industrial enterprises.
- 11 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is
- 12 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 13 June 30, 2016, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in
- 14 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be
- 15 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized
- 16 in section 2 and any refunding of special purpose revenue bonds
- 17 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the
- 18 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special
- 19 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of
- 20 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue
- 21 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in
- 22 section 2. In making this determination, the department shall



- 1 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal
- 2 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature
- 3 authorized by this section.
- 4 SECTION 5. The authorization to issue special purpose
- 5 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2016.
- 6 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

## Report Title:

Special Purpose Revenue Bonds; Pacific Power and Water Company, Inc.

## Description:

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Pacific Power and Water Company, Inc., with the planning, permitting, designing, construction, equipping, and operating of hydropower facilities throughout the State. (SD2)

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