A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NET ENERGY METERING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that charitable and non-2 profit organizations work hard to improve the quality of life 3 and well-being of Hawaii's people. Those wanting to assist such 4 organizations with their respective missions may wish to 5 contribute by means other than monetary donations. 6 legislature further finds that unused credits for excess 7 electricity generated by eligible customer-generators in net 8 energy metering agreements would be put to better use if the law 9 allowed for such credits to be donated to charitable and non-10 profit organizations, instead of being retained by the electric 11 utility at the end of the twelve-month reconciliation period for 12 such agreements. 13 The purpose of this Act is to allow eligible customer-14 generators in net energy metering agreements to donate credits 15 resulting from excess electricity generated by the eligible 16 customer-generator to any charitable organization (as defined in

customer-generator to any charitable organization (as defined in section 467B-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes). As a result of the donation, the charitable organization would have its electricity HB HMIA 2013-17-03.docx

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- 1 bill reduced by the amount of donated credits, regardless of
- 2 whether the charitable organization is a party to any net energy
- 3 metering agreement.
- 4 SECTION 2. Section 269-106, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 "\$269-106 Billing periods; twelve-month reconciliation.
- 7 (a) Billing of net energy metering customers shall be on a
- 8 monthly basis; provided that the last monthly bill for each
- 9 twelve-month period shall reconcile for that twelve-month period
- 10 the net electricity provided by the electric utility with:
- 11 (1) The electricity generated by the eligible customer-
- 12 generator and fed back to the electric grid over the
- monthly billing period; and
- 14 (2) Any unused credits for excess electricity from the
- 15 eligible customer-generator carried over from prior
- 16 months since the last twelve-month reconciliation
- 17 period.
- 18 (b) Credits for excess electricity from the eligible
- 19 customer-generator that remain unused after each twelve-month
- 20 reconciliation period may not be carried over to the next
- 21 twelve-month period[-]; however, an eligible customer-generator
- 22 may elect to donate such excess credits to any charitable

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- 1 organization, as defined in section 467B-1, Hawaii Revised
- 2 Statutes. As a result, the recipient charitable organization
- 3 shall have its electricity bill reduced by the amount of donated
- 4 credits, regardless of whether it is a party to any net energy
- 5 metering agreement."
- 6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 8 SECTION 4. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 9 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 10 begun before its effective date.

11 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Allows an eligible customer-generator in a net energy metering agreement to donate credits for excess electricity that remain unused after each twelve-month reconciliation period to any charitable organization (as defined in section 467B-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes).

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