## THE SENATE TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. <sup>1213</sup> S.D. 2

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UTILITY FRANCHISES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 240-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended to read as follows:

"\$240-1 Electric light and power companies[7]; tax on. 3 Every person operating [in the State] an electric light or power 4 5 business as a public utility  $[\tau]$  in the State, whose franchise [does not provide] provides for the payment of a tax to the 6 7 county in which the public utility operates [of a tax, or a tax 8 of less than] of two and one-half per cent [, -] or less, based 9 upon the gross receipts of [such] the person from all electric light or power furnished to consumers during each calendar year, 10 shall file with the director of finance of the county in which 11 12 the public utility operates, within one month after the 13 expiration of each calendar year, a detailed statement showing all gross receipts from all electric light or power furnished to 14 consumers during the preceding calendar year. [Such] The person 15 16 shall [, at the same time] pay one-half of the tax collected to 17 the director of finance, for and on behalf of [such] the county, in addition to any and all other payments required [to be made] 18 SB1213 SD2 LRB 13-1723.doc 

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1	by law, [ <del>two and one-half per cent of the gross receipts; or, if</del>
2	such person's franchise provides for a tax of less than two and
3	one-half-per cent of the gross proceeds, the difference between
. 4	the tax required under such franchise and two and one-half per
5	cent of the gross receipts, of such person from all electric
6	light or power furnished to consumers during the preceding
7	calendar year.] and one-half of the tax collected to the
8	department of transportation highways division. Payments of the
9	franchise tax made to the department of transportation highways
10	division shall be deposited into the state highway fund and
11	shall be used for operation and maintenance of the department's
12	highway facilities."
13	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
15	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



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**Description:** Requires one-half of franchise utility tax to be paid to DOT highways division as compensation for use of state rights-of-way. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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