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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST BIOTORK HAWAII, LLC.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that it is in the State's
- 2 interest to convert crops, crop residues, dedicated energy
- 3 crops, and agricultural wastes into economically and
- 4 environmentally sustainable biofuels and value added co-
- 5 products. In so doing, the State advances agricultural and
- 6 energy initiatives, which promote sustainability and self-
- 7 sufficiency. Biotork Hawaii, LLC proposes to build, own, and
- 8 operate facilities to convert agricultural crops and byproducts
- 9 like albizia, sweet potatoes, papaya, sugar cane bagasse, and
- 10 molasses to biofuels and high protein feed. The legislature
- 11 finds that part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, permits
- 12 the State to financially assist industrial enterprises through
- 13 the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds.
- 14 The legislature further finds and declares that the
- 15 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in
- 16 the public interest and for the public health, safety, and
- 17 general welfare.

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- 1 SECTION 2. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 2 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the
- 3 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
- 4 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$50,000,000, in
- 5 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting Biotork Hawaii,
- 6 LLC, a Delaware corporation, for the planning, permitting,
- 7 design, construction, equipping, and operation of a facility to
- 8 convert agricultural crops and byproducts to biofuels and feed.
- 9 The legislature hereby finds and determines that the planning,
- 10 permitting, design, construction, equipping, and operation of a
- 11 facility to convert agricultural crops and byproducts to
- 12 biofuels and feed constitute a project as defined in part V,
- 13 chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the financing thereof
- 14 is assistance to an industrial enterprise.
- 15 SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 16 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 17 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 18 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 19 bonds to assist industrial enterprises.
- 20 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is
- 21 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 22 June 30, 2019, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in

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- 1 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be
- 2 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized
- 3 in section 2 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds
- 4 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the
- 5 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special
- 6 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of
- 7 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue
- 8 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in
- 9 section 2. In making this determination, the department shall
- 10 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal
- 11 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature
- 12 authorized by this section.
- 13 SECTION 5. The authorization to issue special purpose
- 14 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2019.
- 15 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

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### Report Title:

Special Purpose Revenue Bonds; Biotork Hawaii, LLC

### Description:

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Biotork Hawaii, LLC with the planning, permitting, design, construction, equipping, and operation of a facility to convert agricultural crops and byproducts to biofuels and various feed.

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