A BILL FOR AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PELATRON Q, LLC.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that support for the
- 2 development of renewable and efficient energy systems in the
- 3 State, which is geographically isolated from the standard fuel
- 4 sources of oil and natural gas, continues to be in the public
- 5 interest. Pelatron Q, LLC, offers sustainable solutions for the
- 6 generation of renewable energy and waste management through the
- 7 development of waste-to-energy power plants. Pelatron Q, LLC's
- 8 power plants will use a patented plasma gasification and
- 9 vitrification process, which will be used to convert waste to
- 10 jet fuel in London, to convert waste to energy in Hawaii. Each
- 11 plant will produce approximately six to eight megawatts of clean
- 12 renewable energy by taking locally produced municipal solid
- 13 waste and other material that was previously disposed of in the
- 14 State's landfills and converting the waste into a synthetic gas
- 15 used to generate electricity that can be exported to the grid.

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1 These unique and patented systems can process municipal solid waste, construction and demolition waste, green waste, 2 medical waste, industrial waste, and any carbonaceous matter. 3 The development of these waste-to-energy power plants will 4 contribute to the State's energy security, reduce the State's 5 6 carbon footprint, reduce the environmental impact of landfilling waste, and add living-wage jobs to the State's economy. 7 The legislature further finds that the benefits of the 8 9 development of waste-to-energy power plants include the 10 following: 11 (1) Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; Reduction of landfill waste streams; 12 (2) Reduction of transportation and disposal costs; 13 (3) Creation of local technical and semi-technical jobs; 14 (4)Production of renewable energy for local communities, 15 (5) which reduces Hawaii's net import of energy and 16 increases Hawaii's domestic wealth, self-sufficiency, 17 18 and energy security; and Assistance to meet Hawaii's renewable energy goals. 19 The legislature additionally finds that Pelatron Q, LLC's 20 work in creating alternative energy for the State is an 21

- 1 industrial enterprise, its development of waste-to-energy power
- 2 plants is a project as defined in part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii
- 3 Revised Statutes, and the project may be assisted through the
- 4 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds.
- 5 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of
- 6 special purpose revenue bonds to assist Pelatron Q, LLC, with
- 7 the development of waste-to-energy power plants that use its
- 8 patented plasma gasification and vitrification process for waste
- 9 management and energy production in Hawaii.
- 10 The legislature finds and declares that the issuance of
- 11 special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in the public
- 12 interest and for the public health, safety, and general welfare.
- 13 SECTION 2. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 14 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the
- 15 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
- 16 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$, in one
- 17 or more series, for the purpose of assisting Pelatron Q, LLC, in
- 18 the establishment of waste-to-energy power plants that use the
- 19 plasma gasification and vitrification process in Hawaii. The
- 20 electrical output of these facilities shall be made available
- 21 for use by members of the general public by sale to electric

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- 1 utilities serving the public or by sale to federal, state, or
- 2 county agencies. The legislature hereby finds and determines
- 3 that the establishment of waste-to-energy power plants that use
- 4 Pelatron Q, LLC's plasma gasification and vitrification process
- 5 constitute a project as defined in part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii
- 6 Revised Statutes, and the financing thereof is assistance to an
- 7 industrial enterprise.
- 8 SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
- 9 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
- 10 shall be issued pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
- 11 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue
- 12 bonds to assist industrial enterprises.
- 13 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is
- 14 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to
- 15 2020, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in whatever
- 16 principal amounts the department shall determine to be necessary
- 17 to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized in
- 18 section 2 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds authorized
- 19 in this section, regardless of whether the outstanding special
- 20 purpose revenue bonds or refunding special purpose revenue bonds
- 21 have matured or are the subject of redemption or whether the

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- 1 refunding special purpose revenue bonds shall be bonds for the
- 2 multi-project programs described in section 2. In making this
- 3 determination, the department shall comply with federal law
- 4 relating to the exemption from federal income taxation of the
- 5 interest on bonds of the nature authorized by this section.
- 6 SECTION 5. The authorization to issue special purpose
- 7 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2020.
- 8 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 2020.

Report Title:

Waste-to-energy Power; Sustainable Energy; Waste Management; Clean Energy; Pelatron Q, LLC; Special Purpose Revenue Bonds; Appropriation

Description:

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Pelatron Q, LLC, with the development of waste-to-energy power plants in Hawaii. Effective 6/30/2020. (HD1)

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