A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that green infrastructure
- 2 financing was established in the public interest to make cost-
- 3 effective green infrastructure equipment options accessible and
- 4 affordable to customers in an equitable way. The program
- 5 addresses the upfront costs of green infrastructure equipment,
- 6 which acts as a barrier and prevents many electric utility
- 7 customers from investing in these infrastructure installations.
- 8 The legislature further finds that the green infrastructure
- 9 financing program serves a critical role in ensuring all Hawaii
- 10 electricity ratepayers receive the greatest opportunity for
- 11 affordable and clean energy. The program helps make green
- 12 infrastructure installations accessible and affordable for
- 13 Hawaii's consumers, achieve measurable cost savings, and achieve
- 14 Hawaii's clean energy goals.
- The purpose of this Act is to strengthen the membership of
- 16 the Hawaii green infrastructure authority, by amending its
- 17 composition.

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1 SECTION 2. Section 196-63, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows: 3 "[+] §196-63[+] Hawaii green infrastructure authority. 4 There is established the Hawaii green infrastructure authority 5 as an instrumentality of the State comprising [five] seven 6 members. The director, the director of finance, and the [energy 7 program administrator of the department] director of commerce 8 and consumer affairs shall be members of the authority. 9 governor shall appoint the other [two] four members, pursuant to **10** section 26-34[-]; provided that two of the members appointed by 11 the governor shall have a demonstrated expertise in public 12 finance or economics and two of the members appointed by the **13** governor shall have a demonstrated expertise in clean energy. 14 The director shall be the chairperson of the authority. The 15 authority shall be placed within the department for administrative purposes, pursuant to section 26-35; provided 16 17 that until the authority is duly constituted, the department may 18 exercise all powers reserved to the authority and shall perform 19 all responsibilities of the authority."

- 1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.

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Report Title:

Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority; Composition

Description:

Amends the composition of the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority. (HB2301 HD2)

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