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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENERGY DEVELOPMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii pays the
- 2 highest electricity prices in the United States, and its
- 3 gasoline costs are among the highest in the country. Reducing
- 4 the State's dependence on non-renewable energy sources in
- 5 conjunction with attaining energy security and independence from
- 6 the price volatility of non-renewable energy source are crucial
- 7 to the well-being of state residents as well as to the
- 8 maintenance of the State's infrastructure.
- 9 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$5,000,000 or so much
- 11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 and the
- 12 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 13 2016-2017 to explore renewable energy development projects.
- 14 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
- 15 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

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SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015

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### Report Title:

Renewable Energy Development; University of Hawaii; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii to explore renewable energy development projects.

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