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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS' BASALT REBAR INITIATIVE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Pacific
- 2 international space center for exploration systems stimulates
- 3 economic growth for the State, promoting the establishment and
- 4 growth of new sustainable and green industries, associated jobs,
- 5 workforce development, internships, and science, technology,
- 6 engineering, and mathematics education programs.
- 7 The legislature further finds that that the Pacific
- 8 international space center for exploration systems' work often
- 9 expands the State's economic development opportunities outside
- 10 of the aerospace sector, including work pertaining to a basalt
- 11 rebar initiative. Basalt rebar weighs 25 per cent less and is
- 12 200 per cent stronger than steel rebar. A basalt rebar plant
- 13 will reduce the import of steel rebar and provide a local basalt
- 14 rebar source, supporting the State's high technology development
- 15 corporation's initiative to create eighty thousand new
- 16 technology jobs with salaries of \$80,000 or above by 2030.

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- 1 A Pacific international space center for exploration
- 2 systems' basalt rebar initiative includes construction of a
- 3 basalt rebar plant that will initially use imported basalt
- 4 fibers to manufacture basalt rebar to assess the local market
- 5 demand. Given a positive market response, basalt fiber
- 6 manufacturing capabilities will be added. Furthermore, Kodiak
- 7 Fiberglass Rebar L.L.C., is interested in collaborating with the
- 8 State and federal and private sectors to develop these
- 9 capabilities.
- 10 The purpose of this Act is to provide funding for the
- 11 Pacific international space center for exploration systems'
- 12 basalt rebar initiative and advance the State's economic
- 13 development and sustainability.
- 14 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
- 15 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
- 16 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
- 17 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2015-2016
- 18 for the purpose of supporting the Pacific international space
- 19 center for exploration systems' basalt rebar initiative,
- 20 including construction of a basalt rebar plant and engineering
- 21 assessments of the manufactured basalt rebar; provided that no

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- 1 funds shall be made available under this Act unless the private
- 2 sector and the federal government collectively provide a \$2 for
- 3 \$1 match.
- 4 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Pacific
- 5 international space center for exploration systems for the
- 6 purposes of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital
- 8 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at
- 9 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
- 10 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
- 11 unencumbered as of June 30, 2018, shall lapse as of that date.
- 12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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Description:

Authorizes the director of finance to issue general obligation bonds to support the Pacific international space center for exploration systems' basalt rebar initiative, including construction of a basalt rebar plant and engineering assessments of the manufactured basalt rebar; provided that no funds shall be made available unless the private sector and the federal government collectively provide a \$2 for \$1 match of funds.

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