THE SENATE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE, 2015 STATE OF HAWAII

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#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

#### RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST ANAERGIA INCORPORATED.

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

SECTION 1. (a) The legislature finds that support for the
 development of renewable and efficient and secure energy systems
 in the State, which is geographically isolated from sources of
 oil, continues to be in the public interest.

5 Anaergia Incorporated, a global leader in renewable energy 6 and waste to energy conversion, proposes to build, own, and 7 operate a project located in central Maui that is designed to 8 process up to seven hundred tons per day of municipal solid 9 waste, green waste, and sewage sludge. The project will 10 include:

11 (1) A material recovery facility to recover recyclable
12 materials like plastic, paper, and glass;
13 (2) An anaerobic digester to convert organics like
14 municipal sludge and food waste to renewable natural
15 gas and compost; and



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1	(3)	A facility to convert energy crops into renewable
2		natural gas or renewable electricity; and
3	(4)	Other process equipment to convert municipal sludge,
4		food waste, green waste, and other organic materials
5		to renewable methane rich biogas which is similar to
6		natural gas.
7	(b)	The legislature further finds that the benefits of the
8	developme	nt of such facilities include the following:
9	(1)	Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions;
10	(2)	Reduction of landfill waste streams;
11	(3)	Reduction of transportation and disposal costs;
12	(4)	Creation of well-paying new jobs in the green tech
13		sector and jobs in construction and related
14		industries;
15	(5)	Production of renewable energy for local communities,
16		which reduces Hawaii's net import of energy and
17		increases Hawaii's domestic wealth, self-sufficiency,
18		and energy security;
19	(6)	Assistance in meeting Hawaii's renewable energy goals;
20	(7)	Containment of dust clouds on fallow lands;
21	(8)	Alleviation of R-1 water reuse issues;

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(9) Enhancement of the State's energy security;
 (10) Augmentation of recyclable material recovery; and
 (11) Production of renewable energy and renewable fuels for
 use in local communities, which reduces Hawaii's net
 import of fossil fuels and increases Hawaii's energy
 self-sufficiency.

7 SECTION 2. The legislature finds and declares that the 8 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in 9 the public interest and for the public health, safety, and 10 general welfare.

11 SECTION 3. Pursuant to part V, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised 12 Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose 13 14 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$90,000,000, in 15 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting Anaergia 16 Incorporated or a partnership in which Anaergia Incorporated is 17 a general partner, with the establishment of energy production, 18 waste recovery, and related facilities on the island of Maui. 19 The electrical output of these facilities shall be made 20 available for use by members of the general public by sale to 21 electric utilities serving the public.

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1 The legislature hereby finds and determines that Anaergia 2 Incorporated's planning, design, and construction of a material 3 recovery facility, an anaerobic digester, and a facility to 4 convert energy crops into renewable natural gas or renewable 5 electricity constitutes a project as defined in part V, chapter 6 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the financing thereof is in 7 assistance to an industrial enterprise. 8 SECTION 4. 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 5. The department of budget and finance is authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to 14 June 30, 2020, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in 15

16 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be 17 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized 18 in section 3 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds 19 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the 20 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special 21 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of



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redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue
 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in
 section 3. In making this determination, the department shall
 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal
 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature
 authorized by this section.

7 SECTION 6. The authorization to issue special purpose
8 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2020.
9 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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#### Report Title:

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#### Description:

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Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Anaergia Incorporated with the development of facilities for renewable nonfossil fuel energy production in Maui.

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