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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE ENERGY AGENCIES.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that energy composes  
2 approximately one-eighth of Hawaii's overall economy. Electric  
3 bills for public facilities and public transportation services  
4 exceeds \$400,000,000 annually. Management and direction of the  
5 energy sector of our economy is becoming an increasingly complex  
6 and critically important job. According to Hawaii's utilities,  
7 successfully achieving one hundred per cent renewable  
8 electricity by 2045 is expected to save nearly \$6,000,000,000.  
9 Additionally, electric vehicles are already cheaper to operate  
10 than traditional gas-powered vehicles. Transitioning to clean  
11 transportation will save residents billions of dollars. Climate  
12 change is expected to cost the State at least \$19,000,000,000 in  
13 losses from sea level rise alone, making the switch to renewable  
14 energy and the ultimate reduction of atmospheric carbon a  
15 priority. The State must also handle the need for island  
16 resiliency; rapid increase and economic viability of renewable  
17 and distributed energy resources; the digitization,



1 democratization, and inter-connectivity of infrastructure; and  
2 the electrification and automation of transportation. These  
3 complex realities reveal the need for a state agency responsible  
4 for assisting the transition to a clean energy economy to meet  
5 Hawaii's climate and cost-of-living goals.

6       The legislature further finds that efforts taken by the  
7 universities, public schools, executive departments, and other  
8 government entities have already begun to save taxpayer money by  
9 reducing the government's electricity costs. However, those  
10 efforts lack statewide coordination, preventing economies of  
11 scale to maximize savings. While some departments have made  
12 substantial progress, others have yet to commence meaningful  
13 activities. Tasking a single agency to plan for energy savings  
14 measures across all public facilities and assist government  
15 entities already working to reduce energy costs is a necessary  
16 step to maximize taxpayer savings.

17       The legislature further finds that although the state  
18 energy office is tasked with the responsibility of overseeing  
19 one-eighth of Hawaii's economy, which impacts every business and  
20 household, the state energy office lacks an enabling statute, a  
21 mission, formal guidance, and reporting accountability.



1 Additionally, appointment of the head of the state energy  
2 office, the Hawaii state energy office administrator, is exempt  
3 from the standard senate confirmation process required for the  
4 majority of other agency heads.

5 The purpose of this Act is to establish in statute an  
6 energy agency with a clear mission, established guidance,  
7 transparent reporting, and accountable leadership that will  
8 assist both the public and private sectors in achieving the  
9 State's energy goals. More specifically, this Act:

- 10 (1) Establishes the office of clean energy within the  
11 department of business, economic development, and  
12 tourism for administrative purposes only;
- 13 (2) Transfers the duties and responsibilities of the  
14 energy resources coordinator, which are currently  
15 assigned to the director of business, economic  
16 development, and tourism, to the director of the  
17 office of clean energy; and
- 18 (3) Transfers the functions of the state energy office to  
19 the office of clean energy.



1       SECTION 2. Chapter 196, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and  
3 to read as follows:

4                   "PART . OFFICE OF CLEAN ENERGY

5       §196-A Office of clean energy; established. (a) There is  
6 established the office of clean energy, within the department of  
7 business, economic development, and tourism for administrative  
8 purposes, to be responsible for advancing energy efficiency,  
9 renewable energy, and clean transportation to help Hawaii build  
10 a resilient clean energy economy that sequesters more carbon  
11 than it produces by 2045.

12       (b) The office of clean energy shall:

- 13       (1) Provide analysis and planning to actively develop and  
14       inform policies to achieve clean energy goals and  
15       energy resiliency at the legislature, public utilities  
16       commission, and other relevant stakeholders;
- 17       (2) Lead efforts to incorporate energy efficiency and  
18       renewable energy to reduce costs and achieve clean  
19       energy goals across all public facilities;



(3) Provide clean energy project deployment facilitation to assist private sector project completion when aligned with state clean energy goals; and

(4) Engage the private sector to help lead efforts to achieve clean energy goals through the Hawaii clean energy initiative advisory board.

(c) The office of clean energy shall be the State's primary government entity for supporting the clean energy initiative.

(d) No later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session, the office of clean energy shall submit a report to the legislature that includes:

(1) A description of the activities of the office of clean energy in response to the directives established pursuant to subsection (b) and section 196-B(d), along with the progress of meeting any of the office of clean energy goals established in or pursuant to this part;

(2) Progress by the State in meeting its clean energy goals; and

(3) Proposed legislation, if any.



§196-B Director of the office of clean energy; duties.

(a) The office of clean energy shall be led by the director of the office of clean energy appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate; provided that the term of the director of the office of clean energy shall be coterminous with the term of the governor. The director of the office of clean energy shall report directly to the governor.

(b) The director of the office of clean energy shall have:

(1) Training or experience in the field of renewable energy or other another related field;

(2) Expertise in policy, programs, or services related to renewable energy; and

(3) Experience in a supervisory or administrative capacity.

(c) The director of the office of clean energy shall be included in any benefit program generally applicable to officers and employees of the State. The director of the office of clean energy may hire staff as may be necessary in accordance with chapter 76.

(d) Subject to the approval of the governor, the director of the office of clean energy shall:



1       (1) Formulate plans, objectives, criteria to measure  
2           accomplishment of objectives, programs through which  
3           the objectives are to be attained, and financial  
4           requirements for the optimum development of Hawaii's  
5           energy resources in a manner that achieves Hawaii's  
6           clean energy goals;

7       (2) Conduct systematic analysis of existing and proposed  
8           energy resource programs, evaluate the analysis  
9           conducted by government agencies and other  
10          organizations, and recommend programs that represent  
11          the most effective allocation of resources for the  
12          development of energy resources in a manner that  
13          achieves Hawaii's clean energy goals;

14       (3) Formulate and recommend specific proposals, as  
15           necessary, for conserving energy resources, including  
16           the allocation and distribution thereof;

17       (4) Assist public and private agencies in implementing  
18           energy conservation and efficiency programs, the  
19           development of indigenous energy resources, and  
20           related measures;



- 1           (5)   Coordinate the State's energy programs with those of  
2                   the federal government, other state governments,  
3                   governments of nations with interest in common energy  
4                   resources, and the political subdivisions of the  
5                   State;
- 6           (6)   Develop programs to encourage private and public  
7                   exploration, research, and development of indigenous  
8                   energy resources that will benefit the State;
- 9           (7)   Conduct public education programs to inform the public  
10                  of the energy resources situation, as it may exist,  
11                  from time to time and of the government actions taken;
- 12          (8)   Serve as consultant to the governor, public agencies,  
13                  and private industry on energy-related matters;
- 14          (9)   Contract for services when required for the  
15                  implementation of this chapter;
- 16          (10)  Review proposed state actions that the director of the  
17                  office of clean energy finds to have significant  
18                  effect on the State's clean energy objectives and  
19                  report to the governor their effect on the energy  
20                  program, and perform other services as may be required  
21                  by the governor and the legislature;





1 (11) Prepare and submit reports as requested by the  
2 governor or the legislature;

3 (12) Assist public and private agencies in identifying and  
4 accessing data necessary to enable the development of  
5 a competitive renewable energy market and technologies  
6 in a manner that prioritizes resiliency and achieves  
7 Hawaii's clean energy goals;

8 (13) Assist public and private agencies in identifying  
9 projects or infrastructure required to accommodate and  
10 facilitate the development of renewable energy  
11 resources in a manner that prioritizes resiliency and  
12 achieves Hawaii's clean energy goals;

13 (14) Assist public and private agencies, in coordination  
14 with the department of budget and finance, in  
15 accessing the use of special purpose revenue bonds to  
16 finance the engineering, design, and construction of  
17 transmission projects and infrastructure that are  
18 deemed critical to the development of renewable energy  
19 resources in a manner that prioritizes resiliency and  
20 achieves Hawaii's clean energy goals;



1       (15) Develop the criteria or requirements for identifying  
2           and qualifying specific projects and infrastructure  
3           that are critical to the development of renewable  
4           energy resources, including providing assistance in  
5           accessing the use of special purpose revenue bonds to  
6           finance the projects or infrastructure;

7       (16) Develop and maintain a comprehensive and systematic  
8           quantitative and qualitative capacity to analyze the  
9           status of energy resources, systems, and markets, both  
10          in-state and those to which Hawaii is directly linked,  
11          particularly in relation to the State's economy, and  
12          to recommend, develop proposals for, and assess the  
13          effectiveness of policy and regulatory decisions, and  
14          conduct energy resiliency and emergency planning;

15       (17) Engage the general public and consider feedback as  
16           appropriate; and

17       (18) Adopt rules, pursuant to chapter 91, necessary to  
18           effectuate the purposes of this part."

19       SECTION 3. Section 196-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
20       amended to read as follows:



1       "§196-1 Findings and declaration of necessity. The  
2 legislature finds that:

3       (1) The global demand for petroleum and its derivatives  
4       has resulted in a significant and fundamental market  
5       escalation in oil prices, has caused severe economic  
6       hardships throughout the State, and threatens to  
7       impair the public health, safety, and welfare.

8               The State of Hawaii, with its [~~near-total~~]  
9       significant dependence on imported fossil fuel, is  
10      particularly vulnerable to dislocations in the global  
11      energy market. This situation can be changed, as  
12      there are few places in the world so generously  
13      endowed with natural energy: geothermal, solar  
14      radiation, ocean temperature differential, wind,  
15      biomass, waves, and currents, [~~which~~] that are all  
16      potential non-polluting power sources[+].

17              Renewable energy derived from these resources has  
18      already begun to create new opportunities for jobs in  
19      Hawaii and provide savings by avoiding the cost of  
20      importing more expensive fossil fuels. The State is  
21      also subject to the impacts of global climate change



1       caused by increasing atmospheric carbon and greenhouse  
2       gas emissions that are contributing to rising sea  
3       levels and loss of coastal lands and infrastructure,  
4       ocean acidification and loss of coral reefs,  
5       decreasing rainfall and fresh water resources,  
6       increasing temperatures and invasive species, and  
7       greater risk from hurricanes of higher intensity and  
8       frequency.

9           It is therefore necessary to move beyond fossil-  
10       fuel energy resources as quickly as is reasonably  
11       practicable, while leveraging new jobs, opportunities,  
12       and financing created by the potential to sequester  
13       greenhouse gases and atmospheric carbon, and assist  
14       Hawaii to achieve a resilient clean energy economy  
15       that sequesters more atmospheric carbon than it  
16       produces, by 2045;

- 17       (2) There is a real need for comprehensive strategic  
18       planning in the effort towards achieving full use of  
19       Hawaii's energy resources and the most effective  
20       allocation of energy resources throughout the State.  
21       Planning is necessary and desirable in order that the



1 State may recognize and declare the major problems and  
2 opportunities in the field of energy resources. Both  
3 short-range and long-range planning will permit the  
4 articulation of:

5 (A) Broad policies, goals, and objectives;

6 (B) Criteria for measuring and evaluating  
7 accomplishments of objectives;

8 (C) Identification and implementation of programs  
9 that will carry out ~~[such]~~ the objectives; and

10 (D) A determination of requirements necessary for the  
11 optimum development of Hawaii's energy resources.

12 ~~[Such]~~ The planning efforts will identify present  
13 conditions and major problems relating to energy  
14 resources, their exploration, development, production,  
15 and distribution. It will show the projected nature  
16 of the situation and rate of change, present  
17 conditions for the foreseeable future based on a  
18 projection of current trends in the development of  
19 energy resources in Hawaii, and include initiatives  
20 designed to fundamentally change how Hawaii consumes  
21 energy by accelerating the production of renewable and



1 alternative energy, increasing energy efficiency,  
2 developing and adopting new technologies, and ensuring  
3 the State's energy security;

4 (3) The State requires an in-depth understanding of the  
5 causes and effects of any transitional issues and  
6 trends related to changes in the State's energy  
7 resources, systems, and markets;

8 (4) There are many agencies of the federal, state, and  
9 county governments in Hawaii, as well as many private  
10 agencies and a broad set of [~~non-governmental~~]  
11 nongovernmental entities, engaged in, or expressing an  
12 interest in, various aspects of the exploration,  
13 research, distribution, transportation, storage,  
14 conservation, and production of all forms of energy  
15 resources in Hawaii. Some of these agencies include  
16 the University of Hawaii; the department of land and  
17 natural resources; the department of business,  
18 economic development, and tourism; the division of  
19 consumer advocacy; the public utilities commission;  
20 the state emergency management agency; the federal



1 energy office; and various county agencies, as well as  
2 Hawaii's energy and energy-related companies; and  
3 (5) There is an ongoing need in this State to coordinate  
4 the efforts of statewide industry and government  
5 energy interests; maintain the technical capability  
6 and adequate capacity to quantitatively and  
7 qualitatively evaluate, analyze, develop, and  
8 coordinate implementation of private and public sector  
9 energy planning efforts; recommend market-based  
10 policies to develop Hawaii's energy resources,  
11 systems, and markets; establish and coordinate  
12 programs to preserve and protect the State's energy  
13 security, maintain a robust energy emergency  
14 preparedness program, and effectuate the conservation  
15 of energy resources to provide for the equitable  
16 distribution thereof; and to formulate plans for the  
17 development and use of alternative energy sources.  
18 There is a need for coordination, capability, and  
19 capacity, so that there will be maximum conservation  
20 and use of energy resources in the State."



1       SECTION 4.   Section 196-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3       "[f]§196-10[.]"   Hawaii renewable hydrogen program.   There  
4 is established, within the [~~department of business, economic~~  
5 ~~development, and tourism,~~] office of clean energy, a Hawaii  
6 renewable hydrogen program to manage the State's transition to a  
7 renewable hydrogen economy.   The program shall design,  
8 implement, and administer activities that include:

9       (1)   Strategic partnerships for the research, development,  
10            testing, and deployment of renewable hydrogen  
11            technologies;

12       (2)   Engineering and economic evaluations of Hawaii's  
13            potential for renewable hydrogen use and near-term  
14            project opportunities for the State's renewable energy  
15            resources;

16       (3)   Electric grid reliability and security projects that  
17            will enable the integration of a substantial increase  
18            of electricity from renewable energy resources on the  
19            island of Hawaii;





- 1           (4)   Hydrogen demonstration projects, including
- 2                infrastructure for the production, storage, and
- 3                refueling of hydrogen vehicles;
- 4           (5)   A statewide hydrogen economy public education and
- 5                outreach plan focusing on the island of Hawaii, to be
- 6                developed in coordination with Hawaii's public
- 7                education institutions;
- 8           (6)   Promotion of Hawaii's renewable hydrogen resources to
- 9                potential partners and investors;
- 10          (7)   A plan, for implementation during the years 2007 to
- 11                2010, to more fully deploy hydrogen technologies and
- 12                infrastructure capable of supporting the island of
- 13                Hawaii's energy needs, including:
- 14                (A)   Expanded installation of hydrogen production
- 15                    facilities;
- 16                (B)   Development of integrated energy systems,
- 17                    including hydrogen vehicles;
- 18                (C)   Construction of additional hydrogen refueling
- 19                    stations; and
- 20                (D)   Promotion of building design and construction
- 21                    that fully incorporates clean energy assets,



1 including reliance on hydrogen-fueled energy  
2 generation;

3 (8) A plan, for implementation during the years 2010 to  
4 2020, to transition the island of Hawaii to a  
5 hydrogen-fueled economy and to extend the application  
6 of the plan throughout the State; and

7 (9) Evaluation of policy recommendations to:

8 (A) Encourage the adoption of hydrogen-fueled  
9 vehicles;

10 (B) Continually fund the hydrogen investment capital  
11 special fund; and

12 (C) Support investment in hydrogen infrastructure,  
13 including production, storage, and dispensing  
14 facilities."

15 SECTION 5. Section 196-30, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

17 "(b) Public buildings shall be retro-commissioned no less  
18 often than every five years. The energy resources coordinator  
19 shall establish retro-commissioning guidelines by January 1,  
20 2010. The director of the office of clean energy shall update  
21 the retro-commissioning guidelines as necessary."



1       SECTION 6.   Section 304A-1891, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3       "(b)   The director of the institute shall coordinate the  
4 institute's work with the ~~[energy resources coordinator]~~  
5 director of the office of clean energy in carrying out duties  
6 pursuant to section ~~[196-4]~~ 196-B in the area of research and  
7 development of renewable energy sources."

8       SECTION 7.   Section 196-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended by repealing the definition of "coordinator".

10      ~~["Coordinator" means the energy resources coordinator."]~~

11      SECTION 8.   Section 196-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 repealed.

13      ~~["§196-3 Energy resources coordinator. The director of  
14 business, economic development, and tourism shall serve as  
15 energy resources coordinator."]~~

16      SECTION 9.   Section 196-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
17 repealed.

18      ~~["§196-4 Powers and duties. Subject to the approval of  
19 the governor, the coordinator shall:~~

20      ~~(1) Formulate plans, including objectives, criteria to  
21 measure accomplishment of objectives, programs through~~



1       ~~which the objectives are to be attained, and financial~~  
2       ~~requirements for the optimum development of Hawaii's~~  
3       ~~energy resources;~~

4       ~~(2) Conduct systematic analysis of existing and proposed~~  
5       ~~energy resource programs, evaluate the analysis~~  
6       ~~conducted by government agencies and other~~  
7       ~~organizations and recommend programs that represent~~  
8       ~~the most effective allocation of resources for the~~  
9       ~~development of energy resources;~~

10       ~~(3) Formulate and recommend specific proposals, as~~  
11       ~~necessary, for conserving energy resources, including~~  
12       ~~the allocation and distribution thereof;~~

13       ~~(4) Assist public and private agencies in implementing~~  
14       ~~energy conservation and efficiency programs, the~~  
15       ~~development of indigenous energy resources, and~~  
16       ~~related measures;~~

17       ~~(5) Coordinate the State's energy programs with those of~~  
18       ~~the federal government, other state governments,~~  
19       ~~governments of nations with interest in common energy~~  
20       ~~resources, and the political subdivisions of the~~  
21       ~~State;~~



- 1       ~~(6) Develop programs to encourage private and public~~  
2       ~~exploration, research, and development of indigenous~~  
3       ~~energy resources that will benefit the State;~~
- 4       ~~(7) Conduct public education programs to inform the public~~  
5       ~~of the energy resources situation, as it may exist,~~  
6       ~~from time to time and of the government actions taken;~~
- 7       ~~(8) Serve as consultant to the governor, public agencies,~~  
8       ~~and private industry on energy-related matters;~~
- 9       ~~(9) Contract for services when required for the~~  
10       ~~implementation of this chapter;~~
- 11       ~~(10) Review proposed state actions that the coordinator~~  
12       ~~finds to have significant effect on the State's energy~~  
13       ~~objectives and report to the governor their effect on~~  
14       ~~the energy program, and perform other services as may~~  
15       ~~be required by the governor and the legislature;~~
- 16       ~~(11) Prepare and submit an annual report and other reports~~  
17       ~~as may be requested to the governor and to the~~  
18       ~~legislature on the implementation of this chapter and~~  
19       ~~all matters related to energy resources;~~
- 20       ~~(12) Formulate a systematic process, including the~~  
21       ~~development of requirements, to identify geographic~~



1 ~~areas that are rich with renewable energy resource~~  
2 ~~potential that can be developed in a cost effective~~  
3 ~~and environmentally benign manner and designate these~~  
4 ~~areas as renewable energy zones;~~

5 ~~(13) Develop and recommend incentives, plans, and programs~~  
6 ~~to encourage the development of renewable energy~~  
7 ~~resource projects within the renewable energy zones;~~

8 ~~(14) Assist public and private agencies in identifying~~  
9 ~~utility transmission projects or infrastructure~~  
10 ~~required to accommodate and facilitate the development~~  
11 ~~of renewable energy resources;~~

12 ~~(15) Assist public and private agencies, in coordination~~  
13 ~~with the department of budget and finance, in~~  
14 ~~accessing the use of special purpose revenue bonds to~~  
15 ~~finance the engineering, design, and construction of~~  
16 ~~transmission projects and infrastructure that are~~  
17 ~~deemed critical to the development of renewable energy~~  
18 ~~resources;~~

19 ~~(16) Develop the criteria or requirements for identifying~~  
20 ~~and qualifying specific transmission projects and~~  
21 ~~infrastructure that are critical to the development of~~



~~renewable energy resources, including providing  
assistance in accessing the use of special purpose  
revenue bonds to finance the projects or  
infrastructure;~~

~~(17) Develop and maintain a comprehensive and systematic  
quantitative and qualitative capacity to analyze the  
status of energy resources, systems, and markets, both  
in-state and those to which Hawaii is directly tied,  
particularly in relation to the State's economy, and  
to recommend, develop proposals for, and assess the  
effectiveness of policy and regulatory decisions, and  
conduct energy emergency planning; and~~

~~(18) Adopt rules for the administration of this chapter  
pursuant to chapter 91." ]~~

SECTION 10. Sections 76-16, 107-22, and 304A-1959, Hawaii  
Revised Statutes, are amended by substituting the term "office  
of clean energy" wherever the term "state energy office" or  
"Hawaii state energy office" appears, as the context requires.

SECTION 11. Sections 125C-22, 125C-23, 125C-31, 141-9,  
196-5, 196-6.5, 196-11, 196-30(a), 196-63, 206M-23, 286-172,  
304A-1892, and 304A-1894.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, are amended



1 by substituting the term "director of the office of clean  
2 energy" wherever the term "state energy resources coordinator",  
3 "energy resources coordinator", "coordinator", or "energy  
4 program administrator of the department" appears, as the context  
5 requires.

6 SECTION 12. All rights, powers, functions, and duties of  
7 the state energy office are transferred to the office of clean  
8 energy.

9 All employees who occupy civil service positions and whose  
10 functions are transferred to the clean energy office by this Act  
11 shall retain their civil service status, whether permanent or  
12 temporary. Employees shall be transferred without loss of  
13 salary, seniority (except as prescribed by applicable collective  
14 bargaining agreements), retention points, prior service credit,  
15 any vacation and sick leave credits previously earned, and other  
16 rights, benefits, and privileges, in accordance with state  
17 personnel laws and this Act; provided that the employees possess  
18 the minimum qualifications and public employment requirements  
19 for the class or position to which transferred or appointed, as  
20 applicable; provided further that subsequent changes in status





1 may be made pursuant to applicable civil service and  
2 compensation laws.

3 Any employee who, prior to this Act, is exempt from civil  
4 service and is transferred as a consequence of this Act may  
5 retain the employee's exempt status, but shall not be appointed  
6 to a civil service position as a consequence of this Act. An  
7 exempt employee who is transferred by this Act shall not suffer  
8 any loss of prior service credit, vacation or sick leave credits  
9 previously earned, or other employee benefits or privileges as a  
10 consequence of this Act; provided that the employee possesses  
11 legal and public employment requirements for the position to  
12 which transferred or appointed, as applicable; provided further  
13 that subsequent changes in status may be made pursuant to  
14 applicable employment and compensation laws. The director of  
15 business, economic development, and technology may prescribe the  
16 duties and qualifications of these employees and fix their  
17 salaries without regard to chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

18 SECTION 13. All appropriations, records, equipment,  
19 machines, files, supplies, contracts, books, papers, documents,  
20 maps, and other personal property heretofore made, used,  
21 acquired, or held by the state energy office relating to the



1 functions transferred to the office of clean energy shall be  
 2 transferred with the functions to which they relate.

3 SECTION 14. There is appropriated out of the general  
 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much  
 5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for:

6 (1) Reorganizing the state energy office into the office  
 7 of clean energy; and

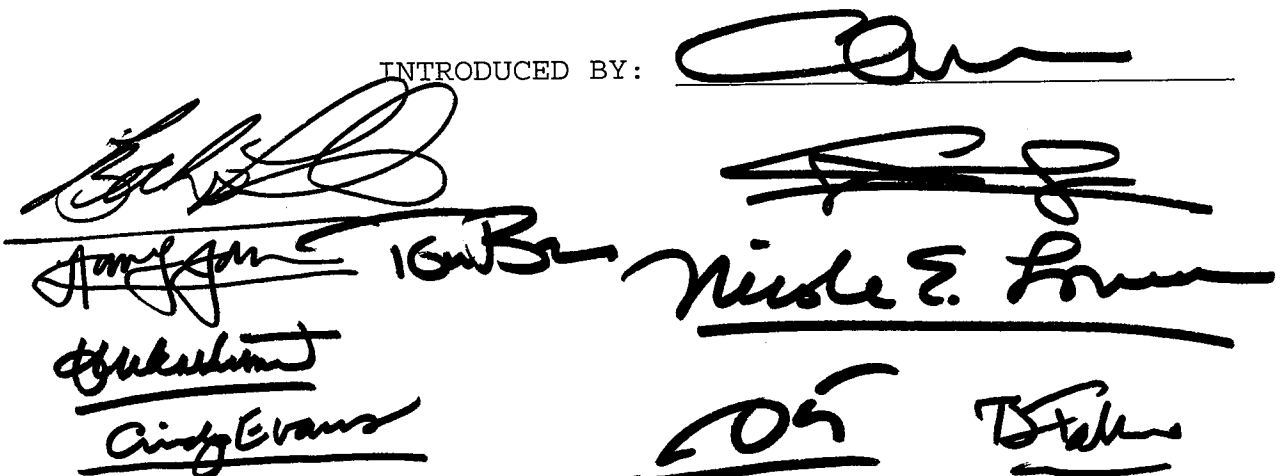
8 (2) Commencing the duties of the office of clean energy.

9 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
 10 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of  
 11 this Act.

12 SECTION 15. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 16. This Act shall take effect upon approval;  
 15 provided that section 14 shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

16 INTRODUCED BY:

The block contains several handwritten signatures. At the top right, a signature is written over a horizontal line. Below this, on the left side, are three more signatures stacked vertically. In the center, there is a signature that appears to be 'Gabe' with a large '16' written next to it. To the right of 'Gabe' is a signature that appears to be 'Nikole E. Brown'. Below these, on the left, is a signature that appears to be 'Cindy Evans'. On the right, below 'Nikole E. Brown', are two more signatures, one of which appears to be 'LOH' and the other 'B. Baker'.



# H.B. NO. 2724

**Report Title:**

Office of Clean Energy; DBEDT; State Energy Resources  
Coordinator; State Energy Office; Appropriation

**Description:**

Establishes the Office of Clean Energy to assume the duties of  
the energy resources coordinator, presently the director of the  
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.  
Transfers the functions of the State Energy Office to the Office  
of Clean Energy. Appropriates moneys.

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