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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Section 269-92,
- 2 Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires each utility company that
- 3 sells electricity for consumption in this State to establish a
- 4 renewable energy portfolio standard of one hundred per cent of
- 5 its net electricity sales by December 31, 2045. The legislature
- 6 further finds that no strategic plan currently exists to attain
- 7 this goal.
- 8 The purpose of this Act is to require the governor; the
- 9 department of business, economic development, and tourism; and
- 10 the Hawaii state energy office to develop a strategic plan that
- 11 outlines benchmarks to meet the requirements of section 269-92,
- 12 Hawaii Revised Statutes, in establishing a one hundred per cent
- 13 renewable energy portfolio standard.
- 14 SECTION 2. (a) The Hawaii state energy office, through
- 15 the department of business, economic development, and tourism,
- 16 and in cooperation with the office of the governor, shall
- 17 establish a strategic plan that identifies clear benchmarks to:



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1	(1)	Attain the goal of one hundred per cent energy self-
2		sufficiency by December 31, 2045, including the
3		temporary use of alternative fuels that may be used as
4		bridge fuels; and
5	(2)	Provide clarity for utilities, utility-scale
6		developers, and energy distributors in planning to
7		achieve the benchmarks determined under paragraph (1).
8	(b)	The strategic plan shall identify benchmarks that are
9	quantitatively and qualitatively measurable and the metrics to	
10	determine	progress toward attaining the goal of one hundred per
11	cent ener	gy self-sufficiency by December 31, 2045.
12	(c)	The department of business, economic development, and
13	tourism s	hall submit its strategic plan, including proposed
14	strategie	s, benchmarks, and metrics, and any proposed
15	legislati	on, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
16	to the convening of the regular session of 2019.	
17	SECT	ION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Description:

Requires the Governor; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; and the Hawaii State Energy Office to develop a strategic plan that outlines benchmarks to achieve one hundred per cent renewable energy portfolio standard. Requires DBEDT to submit the strategic plan to the legislature.

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