### THE SENATE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2019 STATE OF HAWAII

**S.B. NO.** <sup>998</sup> S.D. 1

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.; MAUI ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED; AND HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds and declares that the
 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in
 the public interest and for the public health, safety, and
 qeneral welfare.

5 SECTION 2. Pursuant to part VI, chapter 39A, Hawaii 6 Revised Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the 7 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose 8 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$700,000,000, in 9 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting Hawaiian 10 Electric Company, Inc.; Maui Electric Company, Limited; and 11 Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc., all Hawaii corporations, 12 for multi-project capital improvement programs, including costs 13 to cover the acquisition of land or the construction or acquisition of facilities used or related to the production, 14 15 transmission, or distribution of electricity, or any combination 16 thereof; provided that the approval of the public utilities



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1	commission shall be required for any project financed by the
2	issuance of special purpose revenue bonds under this Act. The
3	special purpose revenue bonds shall be issued for the
4	aforementioned purposes in the following distribution:
5	(1) Up to \$400,000,000 for Hawaiian Electric Company,
6	Inc.;
7	(2) Up to \$150,000,000 for Maui Electric Company, Limited;
8	and
9	(3) Up to \$150,000,000 for Hawaii Electric Light Company,
10	Inc.
11	The legislature hereby finds and determines that the capital
12	improvement projects and programs of Hawaiian Electric Company,
13	Inc.; Maui Electric Company, Limited; and Hawaii Electric Light
14	Company, Inc. constitute a project as defined in part VI,
15	chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the financing thereof
16	is assistance to utilities serving the general public in
17	providing electric energy.
18	SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the
19	refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act
20	shall be issued pursuant to part VI, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised
21	Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue



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bonds to assist utilities serving the general public in
 providing electric energy.

3 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is 4 authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to 5 June 30, 2024, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in 6 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be 7 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized 8 in section 2 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds 9 authorized in this section, regardless of whether the 10 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special 11 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of 12 redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue 13 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in 14 section 2. In making this determination, the department shall 15 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal 16 income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature 17 authorized by this section.

18 SECTION 5. The authorization to issue special purpose
19 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2024.
20 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.



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#### Report Title:

Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.; Maui Electric Company, Limited; Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc.; Electric Utilities; Capital Improvement Programs; Special Purpose Revenue Bonds; Appropriation

#### Description:

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.; Maui Electric Company, Limited; and Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc., to fund multiproject capital improvement programs and assist utilities serving the general public in providing electric energy. (SD1)

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