
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENERGY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the purpose of
2 Act 122, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019 (Act 122), was to transfer
3 the duties and responsibilities of the state energy resources
4 coordinator, the functions of the renewable energy facilitator,
5 and the then existing state energy office to a newly created
6 Hawaii state energy office and chief energy officer. However,
7 Act 122 did not amend certain sections of the Hawaii Revised
8 Statutes pertaining to the reporting of certain energy matters
9 to the legislature.

10 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to amend those
11 sections to clarify that the chief energy officer of the Hawaii
12 state energy office is responsible for supporting the renewable
13 portfolio standards and reporting on certain energy matters.

14 SECTION 2. Section 196-10.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

16 "(c) The [~~department of business, economic development,~~
17 ~~and tourism~~] chief energy officer shall submit a report to the
18 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of



1 each regular session on the status and progress of new and
2 existing clean energy initiatives. The report shall also
3 include:

- 4 (1) The spending plan of the Hawaii clean energy
5 initiative program;
- 6 (2) All expenditures of energy security special fund
7 moneys; and
- 8 (3) The targeted markets of the expenditures, including
9 reasons for selecting those markets, the persons to be
10 served, specific objectives of the program, and
11 program expenditures, including measurable outcomes."

12 SECTION 3. Section 196-41, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

14 "(c) The [~~department of business, economic development,~~
15 ~~and tourism]~~ chief energy officer shall:

- 16 (1) Develop a program to maximize the use of renewable
17 energy and cost-effective conservation measures by
18 state government agencies;
- 19 (2) Work with federal agencies to develop as much
20 research, development and demonstration funding, and
21 technical assistance as possible to support Hawaii in



1 its efforts to achieve its renewable portfolio
2 standards; and

3 (3) Biennially, beginning in January 2006, issue a
4 progress report to the governor and legislature."

5 SECTION 4. Section 201-12.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

7 "(c) The [~~department of business, economic development,~~
8 ~~and tourism~~] chief energy officer shall submit a report to the
9 legislature, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
10 each regular session, on the status and progress of existing
11 programs and activities and the status of new programs and
12 activities funded by the energy security special fund. The
13 report shall also include:

14 (1) The spending plan of the energy security special fund;

15 (2) All expenditures of energy security special fund
16 moneys; and

17 (3) The targeted markets of the expenditures, including
18 the reason for selecting those markets; the persons to
19 be served; and the specific objectives of the
20 expenditures, including measurable outcomes."



1 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
3 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Chief Energy Officer; Hawaii State Energy Office; Reports

Description:

Clarifies that the Chief Energy Officer is responsible for supporting the renewable portfolio standards and reporting on certain energy matters. (CD1)

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