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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 the State must  
2 improve and develop new types of renewable energy to reduce its  
3 dependence on imported oil. The legislature also finds that net  
4 energy metering for commercial customers reduces the State's  
5 dependence on imported oil and, in doing so, enhances Hawaii's  
6 energy security and reduces energy costs for businesses.

7           The legislature further finds that net metering on state  
8 facilities is particularly beneficial to the taxpayers of the  
9 State of Hawaii because it lowers the operating costs of those  
10 facilities and allows for the State's economic resources to be  
11 used for other vital purposes.

12           SECTION 2. Section 269-101.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14           "~~[+]§269-101.5[+]~~ **Maximum capacity of eligible customer-**  
15 **generator.** The eligible customer-generator shall have a  
16 capacity of not more than ~~[fifty kilowatts; provided that the~~  
17 ~~public utilities commission may increase the maximum allowable~~  
18 ~~capacity that eligible customer generators may have to an amount~~



1 ~~greater than fifty kilowatts by rule or order.]~~ two megawatts if  
2 the generating facility is sited on property owned or controlled  
3 by the State of Hawaii, or a capacity of not more than one  
4 megawatt for all other customer-generators."

5 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013;  
8 provided that if the public utilities commission issues an order  
9 or decision prior to July 1, 2013, pursuant to docket 2007-0176  
10 or 2011-0206, which relate to the implementation of the  
11 intragovernmental wheeling of electricity and the reliability  
12 standards for certain electric companies, respectively, this Act  
13 shall be repealed on the date of the public utilities  
14 commission's order or decision on either docket and section  
15 269-101.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be reenacted in the  
16 form in which it read on the day prior to the effective date of  
17 this Act.



**Report Title:**

Net Energy Metering; Renewable Energy

**Description:**

Increases maximum allowable customer-generator capacity for net energy metering systems to two megawatts if the generating facility is sited on property owned or controlled by the State of Hawaii. Increases maximum allowable customer-generator capacity for net energy metering systems to one megawatt for all other systems. Takes effect on July 1, 2013, and repeals if the public utilities commission issues an order or decision earlier pursuant to docket 2007-0176 or 2011-0206, which relate to the implementation of the intragovernmental wheeling of electricity and the reliability standards for certain electric companies, respectively. (Proposed SD1)

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