



GOV. MSG. NO. 1198

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
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DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR

June 8, 2015

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,  
President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 8, 2015, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1296 HD2 SD2 CD1

RELATING TO ENERGY  
**ACT 098 (15)**

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENERGY.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 206M, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§206M-     Hydrogen implementation coordinator. (a) The  
5 director of the Hawaii center for advanced transportation  
6 technologies of the development corporation shall serve as the  
7 state hydrogen implementation coordinator.

8           (b) The state hydrogen implementation coordinator, under  
9 the delegated authority of the energy resources coordinator,  
10 shall facilitate the establishment of infrastructure and  
11 policies across all agencies of the State to promote the  
12 expansion of hydrogen-based energy in Hawaii."

13          SECTION 2. (a) There is established the hydrogen  
14 implementation working group, which shall be convened by the  
15 state hydrogen implementation coordinator and attached to the  
16 high technology development corporation for administrative  
17 purposes. The state hydrogen implementation coordinator shall



1 serve as chairperson of the hydrogen implementation working  
2 group.

3 (b) The working group shall consist of:

4 (1) The state hydrogen implementation coordinator;

5 (2) Representatives of federal, state, and county  
6 agencies, as appropriate;

7 (3) Industry stakeholders; and

8 (4) Other persons, as deemed appropriate by the state  
9 hydrogen implementation coordinator.

10 (c) No member of the working group shall be made subject  
11 to chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, solely because of that  
12 member's participation as a member of the working group.

13 (d) The working group shall study and examine methods to  
14 promote the expansion of hydrogen-based energy in Hawaii.

15 (e) The state hydrogen implementation coordinator shall  
16 submit a report of the working group's findings and  
17 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the  
18 legislature by November 30, 2015.

19 (f) The members of the working group shall serve without  
20 compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including  
21 travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.



1 (g) The working group shall cease to exist on July 1,  
2 2030.

3 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

APPROVED this 8 day of JUN , 2015



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

