



# GOV. MSG. NO. 1199

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DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR

June 21, 2016

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 21, 2016, the following bill was signed into law:

HB2231 HD1 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO ENERGY COOPERATIVES  
**ACT 098 (16)**

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENERGY COOPERATIVES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to clarify that  
2 special purpose revenue bonds issued pursuant to part VI of  
3 chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, may be used to finance  
4 publicly owned energy cooperatives.

5 SECTION 2. Section 39A-191, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
6 amended by amending the definitions of "energy project" and  
7 "project party" to read as follows:

8 "Energy project" means any facilities for each single  
9 project or multiproject program of a project party, including a  
10 publicly owned energy cooperative, which is certified by the  
11 public utilities commission as being for the local furnishing of  
12 electric energy or gas; provided that any new generating unit  
13 for the production or generation of electric energy from fossil  
14 fuels shall not be considered an energy project for purposes of  
15 this part unless specifically authorized in any act providing  
16 for the authorization of the issuance of bonds pursuant to this  
17 part.



1 "Project party" means an electric or gas utility, including  
2 a publicly owned energy cooperative, serving the general public  
3 and that is regulated by the public utilities commission under  
4 chapter 269, or a telecommunications carrier or  
5 telecommunications common carrier, whether or not subject to  
6 regulation by the public utilities commission under chapter  
7 269."

8 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

APPROVED this 21 day of JUN , 2016



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

