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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LITTER CONTROL.

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

1           SECTION 1. The litter control office, established by  
2 Chapter 339, Hawaii Revised Statutes, existed from 1977 until  
3 1996, when it was administratively closed due to budgetary  
4 constraints. The legislature finds that the office provided a  
5 critical, necessary, and strategic service to the public in  
6 serving as the focal point to plan, coordinate, and implement  
7 litter control efforts in the State.

8           The legislature also finds that the litter control office  
9 was very successful in its efforts to clean up litter, prevent  
10 littering, and educate the public through an anti-litter  
11 campaign. Among its accomplishments were:

- 12           (1) A statewide recycling campaign, including a  
13                 fundraising program from private businesses;  
14           (2) An annual statewide litter prevention and clean up  
15                 campaign; partnerships and involvement of volunteers  
16                 from civic and community organizations;  
17           (3) A statewide training program for volunteers;



- 1           (4) A statewide litter hotline and complaint resolution
- 2                   for litter hotspots;
- 3           (5) An abandoned vehicle and appliances removal program;
- 4                   fundraising from private foundations, organizations
- 5                   and individuals;
- 6           (6) Establishment of service learning and education
- 7                   programs in schools and youth organizations;
- 8           (7) Annual statewide shoreline and coastal clean ups; and
- 9           (8) The creation of the nonprofit, section 501(c)(3)
- 10                   federal tax-exempt organization, the Community Work
- 11                   Day Program.

12           The litter control office, like the Community Work Day  
13 Program, was part of the national Keep America Beautiful  
14 program, which partners with business, government, and the  
15 community to create successful education and action-oriented  
16 programs for island-wide clean up projects, roadside  
17 beautification programs; anti-pollution of the ocean and streams  
18 and disease prevention efforts; and other clean environment and  
19 community revitalization initiatives, such as the Ala Wai Canal  
20 clean up and the renovation and reuse of the old Maui High  
21 School. All of these projects are made possible by volunteers



1 and in-kind donations coordinated and supported by the Community  
2 Work Day Program staff.

3 The purpose of this Act is to facilitate anti-litter and  
4 recycling education projects.

5 SECTION 2. Section 339-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
6 amended by amending the definition of "director" to read as  
7 follows:

8 ""Director" means the director of [~~the department of~~]  
9 health."

10 SECTION 3. Section 339-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
11 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

12 "(a) The director shall:

13 (1) Be responsible for the study of available research in  
14 the field of litter control, prevention, removal,  
15 disposal, and recycling; the study of methods for the  
16 implementation of such research; and development of  
17 public educational programs;

18 (2) Serve as a coordinator between the State, state  
19 agencies, and various organizations seeking to aid in  
20 the anti-litter effort;

21 (3) Cooperate with local governments to accomplish the  
22 coordination of anti-litter efforts; [~~and~~]



1           (4) Encourage voluntary local anti-litter campaigns[-];  
2           and

3           (5) Delegate to agencies and programs designated by the  
4           office of community services, the functions deemed  
5           appropriate pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), (3), and  
6           (4) for the purposes of implementing the director's  
7           duties under this section."

8           SECTION 4. Chapter 371K, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9           amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
10          and to read as follows:

11           "§371K-    **Anti-litter and recycling education**  
12          **demonstration projects special fund.** (a) There is established  
13          an anti-litter and recycling education demonstration projects  
14          special fund into which shall be deposited appropriations by the  
15          legislature, gifts, and other donated funds. The fund shall be  
16          administered by the office of community services.

17           (b) All interest earned or accrued on moneys deposited in  
18          the fund shall become part of the fund. Subject to legislative  
19          authorization, the office of community services may expend  
20          moneys from the fund for anti-litter and recycling education  
21          demonstration projects."



1 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the beverage  
2 container deposit special fund the sum of \$500,000 or so much  
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for  
4 deposit into the anti-litter and recycling education projects  
5 special fund established pursuant to section 4 of this Act.

6 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the anti-litter  
7 and recycling education projects special fund the sum of  
8 \$500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
9 2008-2009 for anti-litter and recycling education projects.

10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
11 labor and industrial relations as a grant-in-aid to the  
12 Community Work Day Program for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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INTRODUCED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Report Title:**

Litter Control; Recycling Education; Community Work Day Program

**Description:**

Authorizes the director of health to delegate responsibilities for anti-litter and recycling education projects. Creates the anti-litter and recycling education demonstration project special fund. Provides for grant-in-aid to Community Work Day program. Appropriates funds.

