
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAII GREEN SEAL PROGRAM.

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

1 SECTION 1. The department of business, economic
2 development, and tourism shall develop and implement a Hawaii
3 green seal program to certify businesses and organizations in
4 the State that derive at least twenty per cent of their energy
5 usage from renewable sources, such as solar, wind, wave,
6 geothermal, or biofuel energy sources.

7 SECTION 2. There is established within the department of
8 business, economic development, and tourism for administrative
9 purposes an advisory task force to provide input on the
10 development of the Hawaii green seal program. The task force
11 shall include:

- 12 (1) Three members to be appointed by the president of the
13 senate;
- 14 (2) Three members to be appointed by the speaker of the
15 house of representatives;
- 16 (3) The director of business, economic development, and
17 tourism or the director's designee;



1 (4) The director of commerce and consumer affairs or the
2 director's designee; and

3 (5) The director of labor and industrial relations or the
4 director's designee.

5 The director of business, economic development, and tourism
6 or the director's designee shall serve as the chairperson of the
7 task force.

8 (b) The task force shall have the following duties:

9 (1) Design the Hawaii green seal;

10 (2) Establish qualifying criteria for receiving the Hawaii
11 green seal;

12 (3) Establish guidelines for maintaining the Hawaii green
13 seal certification; and

14 (4) Conduct periodic reviews of Hawaii green seal
15 criteria.

16 SECTION 3. The task force shall submit a report on its
17 findings and recommendations, including any necessary proposed
18 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
19 to the convening of the regular session of 2009.

20 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
22 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to develop



1 the Hawaii green seal program, including necessary travel
2 expenses for the members of the task force.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
4 business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of
5 this Act.

6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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Report Title:

Hawaii Green Seal; Renewable Energy

Description:

Directs the department of business, economic development, and tourism to develop the Hawaii green seal program to certify businesses that meet renewable energy standards. Creates a task force to develop standards for certification.

