
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 8-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 " [f] §8-12 [f] World Ocean Day. [~~The first Wednesday of~~
4 ~~June shall be known and designated as Ocean Day, in recognition~~
5 ~~of the very significant role the ocean plays in the lives of~~
6 ~~Hawaii's people, as well as Hawaii's culture, history, and~~
7 ~~traditions. This day is not and shall not be construed as a~~
8 ~~state holiday.] June 8 of each year shall be known and
9 recognized as "World Ocean Day" to celebrate and honor the
10 oceans of the world, improve international relations, and
11 increase public awareness of conservation management of the
12 ocean environment; provided that this day is not and shall not
13 be construed to be a state holiday. All citizens shall be
14 encouraged to observe and celebrate the blessings of the oceans
15 and endeavor to become caretakers of the ocean for future
16 generations."~~



1 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

World Ocean Day

Description:

Establishes June 8 of each year as World Ocean Day to celebrate the blessings of the oceans, improve international relations, and increase public awareness of conservation management of the ocean environment.

