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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WASTE DISPOSAL.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds there are an estimated  
2 five hundred thousand to one million used vehicle tires  
3 generated in Hawaii each year, and many of those tires are being  
4 improperly dumped on the side of roads and at illegal dump  
5 sites, spoiling the natural beauty of the islands and causing  
6 environmental damage, including fires, increased mosquito  
7 breeding, and contamination of the air, water, and soil. There  
8 are reports that authorized tire collection services, who  
9 collect used tires from tire retailers and tire wholesalers for  
10 a fee, are failing in their duty to properly dispose of tires  
11 collected at authorized tire recycling facilities. Instead,  
12 they are wrongfully keeping the moneys and dumping the tires at  
13 illegal dump sites. The legislature finds this practice to be  
14 incompatible with the intent of the Used Motor Vehicle Tire  
15 Recovery law, chapter 342I, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The  
16 improper disposal of used tires can be addressed by motivating  
17 collectors of used tires to ensure delivery of those tires to  
18 authorized tire recycling facilities by enabling authorized tire



1 recyclers to issue payment for used tires received by the tire  
2 recycling facility through a voucher system.

3       The purpose of this Act is to require the department of  
4 health to develop and implement a voucher system for the  
5 collection of used tires that establishes authorized tire  
6 recycling facilities as the point of payment and requires  
7 authorized tire collection services to deliver all collected  
8 tires to an authorized tire recycler before they may be  
9 reimbursed for their collection services.

10       SECTION 2. The department of health shall develop and  
11 implement a voucher system for the collection of used tires by  
12 January 1, 2012, that shall include:

- 13       (1) Requiring authorized tire collection services to  
14       dispose of all used tires collected from all persons  
15       at an authorized tire recycling facility;
- 16       (2) Requiring the exchange of vouchers instead of cash  
17       money prior to the delivery of used tires at an  
18       authorized tire recycling facility; and
- 19       (3) Authorizing tire recyclers to issue payment to  
20       authorized collection services upon receipt of used  
21       tires from the special account in the environmental



1 management fund, described in section 342I-29, Hawaii  
2 Revised Statutes.

3 SECTION 3. The department of health is authorized to  
4 establish fees, charges, and redemption values for used tires to  
5 ensure the sustainability of the voucher system.

6 SECTION 4. The department of health shall submit a report  
7 to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the  
8 convening of the regular session of 2012 that shall include:

9 (1) Its findings and recommendations, including any  
10 proposed legislation, relating to the development and  
11 implementation of a voucher system for the collection  
12 and proper disposal of used tires;

13 (2) The status of the progress in developing and  
14 implementing a voucher system for the collection of  
15 used tires; and

16 (3) Funding requirements for the administration of a  
17 voucher system for the collection of used tires and  
18 proposed appropriate sources of the funding.

19 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the special  
20 account in the environmental management special fund described  
21 in section 342I-29, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the sum of \$  
22 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-



1 2012, for the development and implementation of a voucher system  
2 for the collection and recycling of used vehicle tires.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
4 health for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the special  
6 account in the environmental management special fund described  
7 in section 342G-63, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the sum of \$  
8 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-  
9 2012, for the development and implementation of a voucher system  
10 for the collection and recycling of used vehicle tires.

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
12 health for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.  
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**Report Title:**

Vehicle tires; Waste; Disposal; Recycle.

**Description:**

Requires the Department of Health to develop and implement a voucher system for the collection of used vehicle tires.

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