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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER PROGRAM.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that dietary supplements  
2 are excluded from the definition of "deposit beverage" under  
3 section 342G-101, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and their containers  
4 are excluded from the deposit beverage container program. There  
5 has also been a significant increase in the number of beverages  
6 that are marketed as "energy" or "dietary" supplement drinks.  
7 Although not required by law, some of these products are labeled  
8 with the Hawaii recyclable refund label (HI-5¢) and are often  
9 sold in containers that are recyclable plastic, aluminum, or  
10 glass. The legislature further finds that the intended uses of  
11 these purported "energy" and "dietary" supplements are similar  
12 to, if not the same as, the intended use of many other sports  
13 drinks, sodas, and juice beverages that are sold in containers  
14 subject to the deposit beverage container program.

15           The purpose of this Act is to include energy and dietary  
16 supplement beverage containers in the deposit beverage container  
17 program.



1 SECTION 2. Section 342G-101, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending the definition of "deposit beverage" to read  
3 as follows:

4 "Deposit beverage" means beer, ale, or other drink  
5 produced by fermenting malt, mixed spirits, mixed wine, tea and  
6 coffee drinks regardless of dairy-derived product content, soda,  
7 or noncarbonated water, and all nonalcoholic drinks in liquid  
8 form and intended for internal human consumption that is  
9 contained in a deposit beverage container.

10 The term "deposit beverage" excludes the following:

11 (1) A liquid ~~which~~ that is:

12 (A) A syrup;

13 (B) In a concentrated form; or

14 (C) Typically added as a minor flavoring ingredient  
15 in food or drink, such as extracts, cooking  
16 additives, sauces, or condiments;

17 (2) A liquid ~~which~~ that is a drug, medical food, or  
18 infant formula as defined by the Federal Food, Drug,  
19 and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. §301 et seq.);

20 ~~[(3) A liquid which is designed and consumed only as a~~  
21 ~~dietary supplement and not as a beverage as defined in~~



~~the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of  
1994 (P.L. 103-417);]~~

~~[(4)]~~ (3) Products frozen at the time of sale to the  
consumer, or, in the case of institutional users such  
as hospitals and nursing homes, at the time of sale to  
the users;

~~[(5)]~~ (4) Products designed to be consumed in a frozen  
state;

~~[(6)]~~ (5) Instant drink powders;

~~[(7)]~~ (6) Seafood, meat, or vegetable broths, or soups, but  
not juices; and

~~[(8)]~~ (7) Milk and all other dairy-derived products, except  
tea and coffee drinks with trace amounts of these  
products."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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**Report Title:**

Deposit Beverage Container Program; Dietary Supplements

**Description:**

Removes the exemption for dietary supplements from the deposit beverage container program.

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