
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RECYCLING.

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

1 SECTION 1. With technological advancement, many consumer
2 electric products become obsolete within a very short period of
3 time, creating large amounts of waste. Limited landfill space
4 is a concern, and disposal of waste electric products into our
5 landfills has the potential to cause human and environmental
6 impacts. Proper waste handling and recycling of valuable
7 materials are important aspects of protecting Hawaii's health
8 and building a green economy.

9 SECTION 2. (a) There is established within the department
10 of health the Hawaii electric device recycling task force to
11 make recommendations for a workable recycling program for
12 electric devices in Hawaii, keeping in mind the conditions and
13 needs of the various islands.

14 (b) The members of the task force shall consist of the
15 following members:

16 (1) The director of health or the director's designee, who
17 shall serve as chairperson of the task force;



- 1 (2) The program manager of the department of health's
2 solid and hazardous waste branch;
- 3 (3) The recycling coordinators of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii
4 counties and the city and county of Honolulu;
- 5 (4) Up to two representatives of the Consumer Electronics
6 Association, to be designated by the director of
7 health;
- 8 (5) A representative of the Consumer Electronics Retailers
9 Council, which also includes manufacturers to be
10 designated by the director of health;
- 11 (6) Up to three representatives of major retailers that
12 already conduct take-back programs for electric
13 devices, to be designated by the director of health;
- 14 (7) Up to two representatives of major retailers that do
15 not already conduct take-back programs for electric
16 devices, to be designated by the director of health;
- 17 (8) Up to six representatives of the local recycling
18 industry, to be designated by the director of health;
- 19 (9) Up to four representatives of the interstate and
20 intrastate shipping or freight transportation
21 industry, to be designated by the director of health;
22 and



1 (10) Any other members that the director of health chooses
2 to designate.

3 (c) The director of health shall have the discretion of
4 reducing the size of the task force; provided that the task
5 force maintains, to the extent reasonably possible,
6 representation from the various sectors.

7 (d) The members of the task force shall serve without
8 compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including
9 travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.

10 (e) The department of health shall submit a report of the
11 task force's findings and recommendations, including any
12 proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty
13 days prior to the convening of the 2013 regular session.

14 (f) The task force shall be dissolved on June 30, 2013.

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



Report Title:

Recycling; Consumer Electronics; Hawaii Electric Device
Recycling Task Force

Description:

Creates the Hawaii electric device recycling task force;
dissolves on 06/30/2013. (SD2)

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