
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 340E-4.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 "[+]§340E-4.8[+] Water catchment systems. (a) The
4 department shall establish a program to conduct annual testing
5 of water from water catchment systems [~~for lead and copper.~~],
6 upon request by a resident of the property on which a water
7 catchment system is located, to determine whether the system
8 meets the water and water or waste disposal system requirements
9 for federal rural housing loans pursuant to title 7 Code of
10 Federal Regulations section 1980.313(c). Any resident residing
11 in a legal dwelling [~~which~~] that relies on a water catchment
12 system for the resident's water needs shall be eligible to
13 participate in the program, subject to the department's
14 procedures and guidelines and the availability of program funds.
15 Residents shall utilize a certified private analytical
16 laboratory specified by the department or the department may
17 conduct the tests. Participating residents shall pay [~~\$25~~]
18 \$ _____ for the tests [~~and the department shall cover the~~



1 ~~remainder of the testing cost~~]. One set of tests a year for
2 each legal dwelling may be requested under this program.

3 (b) The department shall establish procedures and
4 guidelines for the ~~[testing]~~ program, which shall:

5 (1) Identify sampling and analytical protocols~~[+]~~ for
6 testing;

7 (2) Specify report and notice requirements; ~~[and]~~

8 (3) Determine participation eligibility procedures and
9 requirements~~[-]~~; and

10 (4) Require, upon request, the submission of written
11 verification by the department that a water catchment
12 system is approved or that it complies with the Safe
13 Water Drinking Act (42 U.S.C. 300F et seq.) and the
14 Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), if
15 applicable.

16 (c) The department shall establish a nonregulatory program
17 that provides technical assistance to any resident residing in a
18 legal dwelling ~~[which]~~ that relies on a water catchment system
19 for the resident's water needs for the purpose of improving
20 water quality in that system. To the extent practicable, the
21 department shall assist the resident by recommending practical
22 and affordable methods to improve water quality, based on the



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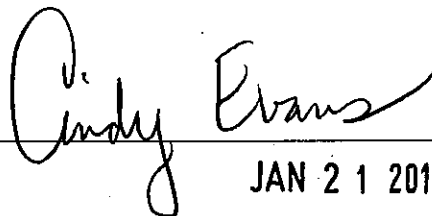
1 specific design and conditions of the water catchment system[-],
2 and to comply with the water and water or waste disposal system
3 requirements for federal rural housing loans pursuant to title 7
4 Code of Federal Regulations section 1980.313(c)."

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

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

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Report Title:

Water Catchment Systems; DOH; Rural Housing Loans

Description:

Converts the DOH water catchment system testing program for lead and copper into a program that determines whether the system meets the federal requirements for rural housing loans. Amends the fee paid by residents for testing and repeals the requirement that the DOH pay the remaining costs. Requires the DOH to assist residents in complying with federal requirements.

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