
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SOLID WASTE REDUCTION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State should
2 lead by example while moving toward a more environmentally
3 sustainable future. An effective way to increase environmental
4 sustainability is to diminish the need for landfills by
5 diverting food waste and green waste from landfills to
6 composting and energy generation.

7 The purpose of this Act is to continue the progress toward
8 long-term environmental sustainability by authorizing the Hawaii
9 public housing authority to enter into contracts with private
10 businesses to remove food waste and green waste from the waste
11 stream for use in other business sectors, including agriculture
12 and energy generation.

13 SECTION 2. Section 356D-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

15 "(a) The authority may:

16 (1) Sue and be sued;

17 (2) Have a seal and alter the same at pleasure;



- 1 (3) Make and execute contracts and other instruments
2 necessary or convenient to the exercise of its
3 powers [7], which may include contracts with private
4 businesses to remove "food waste" and "green waste",
5 as those terms are defined in section 342G-1, from
6 public housing projects;
- 7 (4) Adopt bylaws and rules in accordance with chapter 91
8 for its organization, internal management, and to
9 carry into effect its purposes, powers, and programs;
- 10 (5) Sell, lease, rent, hold, maintain, use, and operate
11 any property, real, personal, or mixed, tangible or
12 intangible, in support of its purposes, powers, and
13 programs; provided that the sale of real property
14 shall be subject to legislative approval;
- 15 (6) Receive by gift, grant, devise, bequest, or otherwise
16 from any source, any property, real, personal, or
17 mixed, intangible or tangible, absolutely or in trust,
18 to be used and disposed of, either the principal or
19 the income thereof, for the benefit only of the
20 residents assisted by its programs; provided that no
21 gift to the authority that has an estimated value of



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1 \$1,000 or more shall be accepted unless approved or
 2 confirmed by the board; and
 3 (7) Engage the services of volunteers as deemed
 4 appropriate by the authority without regard to chapter
 5 76, 89, 90, 103, or 103D."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Hawaii Public Housing Authority; Waste Diversion

Description:

Clarifies that HPHA is authorized to contract with private businesses to remove food and green wastes from public housing projects.

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