
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WASTE.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) There is established within the department
2 of health for administrative purposes, a sewage runoff task
3 force.

4 (b) The task force shall examine:

5 (1) The levels of sewage contamination in coastal areas as
6 a result of runoff; and

7 (2) Methods of reducing sewage contamination.

8 (c) The following individuals or their designees shall
9 serve as members of the task force:

10 (1) The director of health, who shall serve as the chair
11 of the task force;

12 (2) The chairperson of the board of land and natural
13 resources; and

14 (3) The mayor of each county.

15 (d) Members shall not be compensated but shall be
16 reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred, including travel
17 expenses, in carrying out their duties. The department of



1 health shall provide all necessary administrative, professional,
2 technical, and clerical support required by the task force.

3 (e) The task force shall report its findings and
4 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
5 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
6 the regular session of 2017.

7 (f) The task force shall be dissolved on June 30, 2017.

8 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the
11 administrative and operating expenses of the sewage runoff task
12 force.

13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
14 health for the purposes of section 1.

15 SECTION 3. (a) There is established within the department
16 of health for administrative purposes, a sewage infrastructure
17 review task force.

18 (b) The task force shall examine the sewage infrastructure
19 in each county. As a part of its examination, the task force
20 shall review:

21 (1) The sustainability of infrastructure;



- 1 (2) The scope of infrastructure;
- 2 (3) The capacity of infrastructure;
- 3 (4) Any history of infrastructure failure or overload;
- 4 (5) Other problems relating to infrastructure; and
- 5 (6) Methods to improve infrastructure.

6 (c) The following individuals or their designees shall
7 serve as members of the task force:

- 8 (1) The director of health, who shall serve as the chair
9 of the task force;
- 10 (2) The chairperson of the board of land and natural
11 resources; and
- 12 (3) The mayor of each county.

13 (d) Members shall not be compensated but shall be
14 reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred, including travel
15 expenses, in carrying out their duties. The department of
16 health shall provide all necessary administrative, professional,
17 technical, and clerical support required by the task force.

18 (e) The task force shall report its findings and
19 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
20 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
21 the regular session of 2017.

1 (f) The task force shall be dissolved on June 30, 2017.

2 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
3 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
4 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the
5 administrative and operating expenses of the sewage
6 infrastructure review task force.

7 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
8 health for the purposes of section 3.

9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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Report Title:

Waste; Sewage Runoff; Sewage Infrastructure; Task Forces; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a sewage runoff task force in DOH to examine levels of sewage contamination in coastal areas as a result of runoff. Establishes a sewage infrastructure review task force in DOH to examine the sewage infrastructure in each county. Makes an appropriation for each task force.

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