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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER FEE.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 342G-102, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§342G-102 Deposit beverage container fee.** (a) Beginning
4 on October 1, 2002, every deposit beverage distributor shall pay
5 to the department a deposit beverage container fee on each
6 polyethylene terephthalate, high density polyethylene, or metal
7 deposit beverage container manufactured in or imported into the
8 State. The fee shall be imposed only once on the same deposit
9 beverage container. The fee shall be 0.5 cents per deposit
10 beverage container.

11 (b) Beginning on October 1, 2004, every deposit beverage
12 distributor shall pay to the department a deposit beverage
13 container fee on each deposit beverage container manufactured in
14 or imported into the State. The deposit beverage container fee
15 shall not apply to deposit beverage containers exported for sale
16 outside of the State. The fee shall be imposed only once on the



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1 same deposit beverage container. The fee shall be 1 cent per
2 deposit beverage container.

3 (c) No county shall impose or collect any assessment or
4 fee on deposit beverage containers for the same or similar
5 purpose that is the subject of this chapter.

6 (d) Beginning January 1, 2005, and every August 1
7 thereafter, the department shall notify deposit beverage
8 distributors in writing of the amount of the deposit beverage
9 container fee. The effective date of changes to the fee amount
10 shall be September 1. The fee shall be based on the redemption
11 rate calculated annually based on the redemption rate
12 information submitted to the department for the previous period
13 of July 1 through June 30. The fee amount shall be as follows:

- 14 (1) If the redemption rate is seventy per cent or less: 1
15 cent per container; and
16 (2) If the redemption rate is greater than seventy per
17 cent: 1.5 cents per container.

18 (e) Beginning on August 1, 2021, and every August 1
19 thereafter, the deposit beverage container fee shall be changed
20 by the percentage, if any, by which the Consumer Price Index for
21 All Urban Consumers in the Honolulu area published by the Bureau



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1 of Labor Statistics of the federal Department of Labor for that
 2 calendar year exceeds the Consumer Price Index for All Urban
 3 Consumers for the prior calendar year.

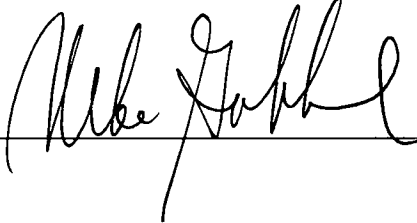
4 [~~e~~] (f) The director may temporarily suspend an
 5 automatic increase of the deposit beverage container fee if,
 6 after consultation with the auditor, it is determined that the
 7 deposit beverage container deposit special fund contains
 8 sufficient funds for the purposes of section 342G-104(b)."

9 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:




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Report Title:

Deposit Beverage Container Fee; CPI

Description:

Annually adjusts the deposit beverage container fee based upon percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index for the Honolulu area.

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