
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that action is needed to
2 protect Hawaii's groundwater from contamination. Large capacity
3 underground storage tank systems pose a threat to the potability
4 of the State's groundwater.

5 The purpose of this Act is to protect state aquifers by
6 prohibiting the operation of large-capacity underground storage
7 tank systems mauka of the underground injection control line,
8 beginning January 1, 2028.

9 SECTION 2. Chapter 342L, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
11 and to read as follows:

12 "§342L- Underground storage tank system; underground
13 injection control line; prohibition. Beginning January 1, 2028,
14 no person shall operate an underground storage tank system that
15 has a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, mauka of the
16 underground injection control line.

17 For purposes of this section:



1 "Underground injection control line" means the underground
2 injection control line represented by a dashed line on the
3 department of health underground injection control program maps,
4 made effective July 6, 1984, and identified as follows:

- 5 (1) For the island of Hawaii, quadrangles H-1 to H-74;
6 (2) For the island of Kauai, quadrangles K-1 to K-11;
7 (3) For the island of Lanai, quadrangles L-North and
8 L-South;
9 (4) For the island of Maui, quadrangles M-1 to M-17;
10 (5) For the island of Molokai, quadrangles M-East and
11 M-West; and
12 (6) For the island of Oahu, quadrangles O-1 to O-15.

13 "Underground injection control program" means the program
14 established pursuant to section 340E-2.

15 "Underground source of drinking water" means an aquifer or
16 its portion that:

- 17 (1) Supplies any public or private drinking water system
18 or contains a sufficient quantity of ground water to
19 supply a public water system; and
20 (A) Currently supplies drinking water for human
21 consumption; or



1 (B) Contains fewer than ten thousand milligrams per
2 liter total dissolved solids; and
3 (2) Is not an exempted aquifer."

4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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



Report Title:

Underground Storage Tank System; Large Capacity Tanks; Safe Drinking Water; Underground Injection Control Line

Description:

Prohibits, beginning 1/1/2028, a person to operate an underground storage system with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, mauka of the underground injection control line. (SD1)

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