

JAN 18 2019

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that two chemicals
2 contained in many sunscreens, oxybenzone and octinoxate, have
3 significant harmful impacts on Hawaii's marine environment and
4 residing ecosystems, including coral reefs that protect Hawaii's
5 shoreline. Act , Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, bans the
6 sale, offer of sale, and distribution in the State of any
7 sunscreen, excluding facial cosmetics, that contains oxybenzone
8 or octinoxate, without a prescription, beginning January 1,
9 2021. Visitors to Hawaii may be unaware of the harmful impacts
10 of oxybenzone and octinoxate and may also be unfamiliar with
11 sunscreen products that do not contain these chemicals. The
12 purpose of this Act is to establish a two-year pilot program at
13 Hanauma Bay beach and Waikiki beach in an effort to protect
14 Hawaii's reefs and combat skin cancers.

15 SECTION 2. The department of land and natural resources
16 shall establish a two-year pilot program to install
17 sunscreen dispensers at Hanauma Bay beach and sunscreen



1 dispensers at Waikiki beach to provide sunscreens that do not
 2 contain oxybenzone or octinoxate to visitors. Each dispenser
 3 shall include informational signage to educate visitors to the
 4 State about the harmful effects of oxybenzone and octinoxate
 5 sunscreen on coral reefs and to encourage visitors to the State
 6 to refrain from using sunscreen containing oxybenzone or
 7 octinoxate.

8 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
 10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and
 11 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
 12 year 2020-2021 for the sunscreen dispenser pilot program.

13 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
 14 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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Report Title:

Environment; Health; Sunscreen Dispensers; Oxybenzone;
Octinoxate; Appropriation

Description:

Requires DLNR to establish a two-year pilot program to install sunscreen dispensers at Hanauma Bay and Waikiki beaches to provide sunscreens without oxybenzone or octinoxate to visitors and educate visitors on the harmful effects of oxybenzone and octinoxate on the marine environment. Appropriates funds for the pilot program.

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