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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CESSPOOLS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 132, Session  
2 Laws of Hawaii 2018, established the cesspool conversion working  
3 group to develop a long-range, comprehensive plan for conversion  
4 of cesspools statewide by 2050 and commissioned a statewide  
5 study of sewage contamination in nearshore marine areas to  
6 further supplement studies and reports conducted by the  
7 department of health on cesspools. The working group convened  
8 in 2018 and has been diligently working to meet the objectives  
9 set out in Act 132; however, the working group needs additional  
10 time and resources to complete its work.

11           The purpose of this Act is to:

- 12           (1) Extend various reporting deadlines and the sunset date  
13           of the cesspool conversion working group; and  
14           (2) Extend the lapse date for funds appropriated to  
15           conduct a comprehensive statewide study of sewage  
16           contamination in nearshore marine areas and for  
17           research and technical assistance necessary for



1 completion of the comprehensive cesspool conversion  
2 plan.

3 SECTION 2. Act 132, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, is  
4 amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

5 "SECTION 6. Moneys appropriated pursuant to sections 4 and  
6 5 of this Act shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for  
7 which the moneys have been appropriated; provided that any  
8 moneys appropriated pursuant to sections 4 and 5 of this Act  
9 that are unencumbered as of June 30, 2020, shall lapse on that  
10 date."

11 SECTION 3. Act 132, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, section  
12 2, is amended as follows:

13 1. By amending subsection (e) to read:

14 "(e) The cesspool conversion working group shall submit an  
15 interim report of its preliminary findings and recommendations,  
16 including proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than  
17 December 31, [~~2019,~~] 2020, and shall submit a final report,  
18 including findings, recommendations, and any proposed  
19 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior  
20 to the convening of the regular session of [~~2021,~~] 2022."

21 2. By amending subsection (g) to read:



1           "(g) The working group shall be dissolved on January 14,  
2   ~~[2021-]~~ 2022."

3           SECTION 4. Act 132, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, section  
4   3, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

5           "(b) The university of Hawaii water resources research  
6   center and the department of health shall submit a report of  
7   their findings and recommendations, including any proposed  
8   legislation, to the cesspool conversion working group and the  
9   legislature no later than October 1, ~~[2019-]~~ 2020."

10          SECTION 5. Act 132, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, is  
11   amended by amending section 6 to read as follows:

12          "SECTION ~~[6-]~~ 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1,  
13   2018."

14          SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
15   and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

16          SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2100.



**Report Title:**

Department of Health; University of Hawaii; Cesspool Conversion Working Group Extension; Cesspool Study

**Description:**

Extends various reporting deadlines and the sunset date of the cesspool conversion working group established pursuant to Act 132, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018. Extends the lapse dates for funds appropriated to conduct a comprehensive statewide study of sewage contamination in nearshore marine areas and for research and technical assistance necessary for completion of the comprehensive cesspool conversion plan. (SB696 HD1)

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