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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the United States  
2 Food and Drug Administration regulates sunscreens to ensure they  
3 meet safety and effectiveness standards. Products containing  
4 certain active ingredients may be marketed without a new drug  
5 application if the Food and Drug Administration considers them  
6 to be generally recognized as safe and effective for their  
7 intended use. The Food and Drug Administration categorizes each  
8 active ingredient in a sunscreen product as:

9           (1) Generally recognized as safe and effective for the  
10           claimed therapeutic indication;

11          (2) Not generally recognized as safe and effective or  
12           unacceptable indications; or

13          (3) Lacking sufficient data to permit final classification  
14           as generally recognized as safe and effective.

15       On September 24, 2021, the Food and Drug Administration  
16 posted a proposed updated order for sunscreen products sold in  
17 the United States which would trim the list of sunscreen active



1 ingredients generally recognized as safe and effective from  
2 sixteen to two: zinc oxide and titanium dioxide.

3 The legislature further finds that some sunscreens have  
4 recently been demonstrated to pose toxicologic threats, such as  
5 hormone disruption and detrimental health outcomes in children.  
6 While the State has already banned the sale and distribution of  
7 sunscreen products containing oxybenzone and octinoxate,  
8 additional action is required to prohibit other potentially  
9 harmful ingredients.

10 The purpose of this Act is to prevent the sale and  
11 distribution of sunscreen products that contain ingredients not  
12 generally recognized as safe and effective as defined by the  
13 Food and Drug Administration.

14 SECTION 2. Section 342D-21, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 "[§]342D-21[] Sale and distribution of sunscreen  
17 containing oxybenzone or octinoxate, or both; ingredients not  
18 generally recognized as safe and effective; prohibition. (a)  
19 Beginning January 1, 2021, it shall be unlawful to sell, offer  
20 for sale, or distribute for sale in the State any sunscreen that



1 contains oxybenzone or octinoxate, or both, without a  
2 prescription issued by a licensed healthcare provider.

3 (b) No county shall enact any ordinance or regulatory  
4 restriction to prohibit the sale, use, labeling, packaging,  
5 handling, distribution, or advertisement of sunscreens  
6 containing oxybenzone or octinoxate, or both, prior to  
7 January 1, 2021.

8 (c) Beginning January 1, 2024, it shall be unlawful to  
9 sell, offer for sale, or distribute for sale in the State any  
10 sunscreen that contains ingredients not generally recognized as  
11 safe and effective, as defined by the Food and Drug  
12 Administration, without a prescription issued by a licensed  
13 healthcare provider.

14 (d) No county shall enact any ordinance or regulatory  
15 restriction to prohibit the sale, use, labeling, packaging,  
16 handling, distribution, or advertisement of sunscreens  
17 containing ingredients not generally recognized as safe and  
18 effective, as defined by the Food and Drug Administration, prior  
19 to January 1, 2024.

20 ~~[(e)]~~ (e) For purposes of this section:



1 "Licensed healthcare provider" means a physician or  
2 osteopathic physician licensed pursuant to chapter 453, or an  
3 advanced practice registered nurse licensed pursuant to chapter  
4 457.

5 "Octinoxate" refers to the chemical (RS)-2-Ethylhexyl (2E)-  
6 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)prop-2-enoate under the International Union  
7 of Pure and Applied Chemistry chemical nomenclature registry;  
8 that has a chemical abstract service registry number 5466-77-3;  
9 the synonyms of which include but are not limited to ethylhexyl  
10 methoxycinnamate, octyl methoxycinnamate, Eusolex 2292, Neo  
11 Heliopan AV, NSC 26466, Parsol MOX, Parsol MCX, and Uvinul MC80;  
12 and is intended to be used as protection against ultraviolet  
13 light radiation with a spectrum wavelength from 370 nanometers  
14 to 220 nanometers in a sunscreen.

15 "Oxybenzone" refers to the chemical (2-Hydroxy-4-  
16 methoxyphenyl)-phenylmethanone under the International Union of  
17 Pure and Applied Chemistry chemical nomenclature registry; that  
18 has a chemical abstract service registry number 131-57-7; the  
19 synonyms of which include but are not limited to benzophenone-3,  
20 Escalol 567, Eusolex 4360, KAHSCREEN BZ-3, Uvasorb MET/C,  
21 Syntase 62, UV 9, Uvinul 9, Uvinul M-40, Uvistat 24, USAF Cy-9,



1 Uniphenone-3U, 4-methoxy-2-hydroxybenzophenone and Milestab 9;  
2 and is intended to be used as protection against ultraviolet  
3 light radiation with a spectrum wavelength from 370 nanometers  
4 to 220 nanometers in a sunscreen.

5 "Prescription" means an order for medication, that is  
6 dispensed to or for an ultimate user. "Prescription" shall not  
7 include an order for medication that is dispensed for immediate  
8 administration to the ultimate user, such as a chart order to  
9 dispense a drug to a bed patient for immediate administration in  
10 a hospital. "Prescription" includes an order for a sunscreen.

11 "Sunscreen" means a product marketed or intended for  
12 topical use to prevent sunburn. Sunscreen does not include  
13 products marketed or intended for use as a cosmetic, as defined  
14 in section 328-1, for the face."

15 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
16 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
17 begun before its effective date.

18 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.


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

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INTRODUCED BY:





# S.B. NO. 2949

**Report Title:**

Sunscreens; Generally Recognized as Safe and Effective; Food and Drug Administration

**Description:**

Prohibits the sale and distribution of sunscreen products containing ingredients not generally recognized as safe and effective as defined by the Food and Drug Administration.

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