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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 152, Session
- 2 Laws of Hawaii 2021 (Act 152), administratively transferred the
- 3 environmental advisory council from the department of health to
- 4 the office of planning and sustainable development. In doing
- 5 so, sections 341-3 through 341-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, were
- 6 repealed. However, section 341-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 7 which sets out the functions of the environmental council, still
- 8 references a section that was repealed by Act 152.
- 9 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to make a
- 10 housekeeping amendment to section 341-6, Hawaii Revised
- 11 Statutes.
- 12 SECTION 2. Section 341-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 13 amended to read as follows:
- 14 "§341-6 Functions of the environmental advisory council.
- 15 The environmental advisory council shall serve as a liaison
- 16 between the office of planning and sustainable development and
- 17 the general public by soliciting information, opinions,



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- 1 complaints, recommendations, and advice concerning ecology and
- 2 environmental quality through public hearings or any other means
- 3 and by publicizing such matters as requested by the director
- 4 [pursuant to section 341-4(b)(3)]. The environmental advisory
- 5 council may make recommendations concerning ecology and
- 6 environmental quality to the office of planning and sustainable
- 7 development and shall meet at the call of the council
- 8 chairperson or the director of the office of planning and
- 9 sustainable development upon notifying the council chairperson.
- 10 The environmental advisory council shall monitor the progress of
- 11 state, county, and federal agencies in achieving the State's
- 12 environmental goals and policies and shall submit its report and
- 13 recommendations for improvements concerning ecology and
- 14 environmental quality to the office of planning and sustainable
- 15 development, which shall include the report and recommendations
- 16 in its annual report to the legislature. All state and county
- 17 agencies shall cooperate with the council by responding to its
- 18 requests for information."
- 19 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 20 and stricken.
- 21 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



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Report Title:

Environmental Advisory Council; Housekeeping Measure

Description:

Makes a housekeeping amendment to section 341-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to delete a reference to a repealed section.

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