
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER QUALITY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The department of health shall:
- 2 (1) Require the clean water branch of its environmental
3 management division to continue testing water quality
4 as part of the Hawaii beach monitoring program during
5 brown water advisories, while adhering to their
6 regular beach sampling schedule; provided that no
7 water sample shall be collected by clean water branch
8 personnel until any hazardous conditions at affected
9 beaches have subsided; and
- 10 (2) Adopt or amend its administrative rules in accordance
11 with chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as necessary
12 to implement this subsection.
- 13 (b) As used in this Act, "hazardous conditions" means an
14 event or condition of the physical environment that:
- 15 (1) Results or may likely result in injuries or death to
16 individuals; and
- 17 (2) May result in an emergency or disaster.



1 SECTION 2. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
2 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
3 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
4 appropriations contained in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023,
5 and this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure
6 ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
7 \$ or per cent. This current declaration takes
8 into account general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal
9 year 2024-2025 in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023, and this Act
10 only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure
11 ceiling are that:

- 12 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
13 serve the public interest; and
14 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
15 addressed by this Act.

16 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
18 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for
19 the implementation of this Act.

20 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
21 health for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on December 31,
2 2050.



Report Title:

DOH; Environmental Management Division; Clean Water Branch;
Water Quality; Water Testing; Hazardous Conditions; Expenditure
Ceiling; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Department of Health to require continued water testing during brown water advisories under certain circumstances. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded. Makes an appropriation. Takes effect 12/31/2050. (SD1)

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