May 14, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Nadine Nakamura Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on May 14, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. NO. 1318, H.D. 1, C.D. 1 RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION.

ACT 047

Mahalo,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor

on MAY 1 4 2025

THE SENATE
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 047 S.B. NO. H.D. 1 C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 200-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "\$200-14 Violation of chapter or rules; penalty. (a) Any
- 4 person who violates any provision in this chapter, or rule
- 5 adopted by the department, relating to boating accidents,
- 6 reckless or unauthorized operation of a vessel, unauthorized
- 7 mooring of a vessel, unauthorized commercial activity,
- 8 unauthorized camping within state small boat harbors or boating
- 9 facilities, animal abandonment within state small boat harbors
- 10 or boating facilities, or creation of animal colonies within
- 11 state small boat harbors or boating facilities shall be quilty
- 12 of a petty misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$1,000.
- 13 (b) Any person who violates any rule adopted by the
- 14 department under this part regulating vehicular parking or
- 15 traffic movement shall have committed a traffic infraction as
- 16 set forth in chapter 291D, the adjudication of which shall be
- 17 subject to the provisions contained [therein.] in chapter 291D.

A person found to have committed a traffic infraction shall be 1 2 fined not more than: 3 (1)\$100 for a first violation; 4 (2) \$200 for a second violation; and 5 (3) \$500 for a third or subsequent violation. (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), any 6 7 person who-knowingly or intentionally violates any rule adopted 8 by the department relating to unauthorized discharge, dumping, 9 or abandoning, in any state boating facility or state waters, of 10 any petroleum product, hazardous material, or sewage in 11 violation of the state water quality standards established by 12 the department of health, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 13 for each day of violation, and any vessel, the agents, owner, or 14 crew of which violate the rules of the department shall be fined not more than \$10,000 for each day or instance of violation, or 15 16 sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than thirty 17 days, or both. Each day or instance of each violation shall be 18 deemed a separate offense. Additionally, the agents, owner, or 19 crew of any vessel that violates the rules of the department 20 shall be fined not more than \$10,000 for each day of violation.

- 1 (c) As a condition of probation pursuant to sections
- 2 706-623 and 706-624, or as a condition to the suspension of any
- 3 criminal penalties, the environmental court may provide that the
- 4 defendant refrain from operating any vessel, including but not
- 5 limited to any thrill craft or vessel engaged in parasailing or
- 6 water sledding, in specified geographical areas of the waters of
- 7 the State.
- 8 [(e)] (d) For the purposes of this section, "operate",
- 9 "parasailing", "thrill craft", "vessel", "water sledding", and
- 10 "waters of the State" have the same meaning as those terms are
- 11 defined in section 200-23."
- 12 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 3. The Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 14th day of May , 2025

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 25, 2025 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2025.

MMM. M President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 1318, HD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 25, 2025 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025.

Nadine K. Nakamura

Speaker

House of Representatives

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Machie K. Mahr

Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives