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GOV. MSG. NO. 1262

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
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June 3, 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 June 3, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. NO. 1298, S.D. 2,
H.D. 2, C.D. 1

RELATING TO RECYCLING.
ACT 162

Mahalo,

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Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i

on JUN 3 2025

THE SENATE
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 162
S.B. NO. 1298
S.D. 2
H.D. 2
C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RECYCLING.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 339D-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending the definition of "electronic device" to
4 read:

5 ""Electronic device":

6 (1) Means:

7 (A) A computer, computer printer, computer monitor,
8 facsimile machine, videocassette recorder,
9 portable digital music player that has memory
10 capability and is battery powered, digital video
11 disc player, digital video disc recorder, router
12 designed for household use, modem designed for
13 household use, or portable computer with a screen
14 size greater than four inches measured
15 diagonally; ~~[and]~~

16 (B) Any device that is capable of receiving
17 broadcast, cable, or satellite signals and



1 displaying television or video programing,
2 including any direct view or projection
3 television with a viewable screen of nine inches
4 or larger with display technology based on
5 cathode ray tube, plasma, liquid crystal, digital
6 light processing, liquid crystal on silicon,
7 silicon crystal reflective display, light
8 emitting diode, or similar technology; and

9 (C) Electronic device peripherals, including:

10 (i) A keyboard, mouse, or other device sold
11 exclusively for external use with an
12 electronic device as a wireless or corded
13 device that provides input into, or output
14 from, an electronic device;

15 (ii) Cords used with an electronic device or
16 other electronic device peripheral;

17 (iii) Power supplies and adapters designed to
18 support an electronic device;

19 (iv) Speakers used with a computer or television
20 and television sound bars; and

21 (v) Video game consoles; and



1 (2) Shall not include:

2 (A) An electronic device that is a part of a motor
3 vehicle or any component part of a motor vehicle
4 assembled by or for a motor vehicle manufacturer
5 or franchised dealer, including replacement parts
6 for use in a motor vehicle;

7 (B) An electronic device that is functionally or
8 physically required as a part of a larger piece
9 of equipment designed and intended for use in an
10 industrial, commercial, or medical setting,
11 including diagnostic, monitoring, or control
12 equipment;

13 (C) An electronic device that is contained within a
14 clothes washer, clothes dryer, refrigerator,
15 refrigerator and freezer, microwave oven,
16 conventional oven or range, dishwasher, room air
17 conditioner, dehumidifier, or air purifier;

18 (D) A telephone of any type including a mobile
19 telephone; or

20 (E) A global positioning system."

21 2. By amending the definition of "manufacturer" to read:



1 ""Manufacturer":

2 (1) Means any person:

3 (A) Who manufactures or manufactured electronic
4 devices under a brand that it owns or owned or is
5 or was licensed to use, other than a license to
6 manufacture electronic devices for delivery
7 exclusively to or at the order of the licensor;

8 (B) Who sells or sold electronic devices manufactured
9 by others under a brand that the seller owns or
10 owned or is or was licensed to use, other than a
11 license to manufacture electronic devices for
12 delivery exclusively to or at the order of the
13 licensor;

14 (C) Who manufactures or manufactured electronic
15 devices without affixing a brand;

16 (D) Who manufactures or manufactured electronic
17 devices to which it affixes or affixed a brand
18 that it neither owns or owned nor is or was
19 licensed to use; or

20 (E) For whose account electronic devices manufactured
21 outside the United States are or were imported



1 into the United States; provided that if at the
2 time those electronic devices are or were
3 imported into the United States and another
4 person has registered as the manufacturer of the
5 brand of the electronic devices, this
6 subparagraph shall not apply; and

7 (2) Shall not include persons who sold fewer than one
8 hundred electronic devices in the State during the
9 previous calendar year[-] or who manufactures only
10 electronic device peripherals and no other electronic
11 devices."

12 SECTION 2. Section 339D-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by amending subsection (f) to read as follows:

14 "(f) The department [~~shall~~] may determine additional
15 penalties based on adverse impact to the environment, unfair
16 competitive advantage, and other considerations that the
17 department deems appropriate."

18 SECTION 3. Section 339D-23, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
19 amended by amending subsections (b) to (d) to read as follows:

20 "(b) By September 1, 2022, and annually thereafter, each
21 manufacturer shall submit a plan to the department to establish,



1 conduct, and manage a program for the recycling of electronic
2 devices sold in the State, which shall be subject to the
3 following conditions:

- 4 (1) The plan shall not permit the charging of a fee at the
5 point of collection if the electronic device is
6 brought by the electronic device owner to a central
7 location for recycling; provided that the plan may
8 include a reasonable transportation fee if the
9 manufacturer or manufacturer's agent removes the
10 electronic device from the owner's premises at the
11 owner's request and if the removal is not in
12 conjunction with delivery of a new electronic device
13 to the owner;
- 14 (2) The plan shall include a description of the methods
15 for the convenient collection of electronic devices at
16 no cost to the owner, except as provided in paragraph
17 (1). The recycling plan shall provide for collection
18 services of electronic devices, at a minimum, in each
19 county and zip code tabulation area, as defined by the
20 United States Census Bureau, with a population greater



1 than twenty-five thousand. The recycling plan shall
2 include at least one of the following:

3 (A) Staffed drop-off sites;

4 (B) Alternative collection services, including on-
5 site pick-up services; or

6 (C) Collection events held at an easily accessible,
7 central location;

8 (3) The plan shall provide collection services at a
9 minimum of once per month;

10 (4) The plan shall not contain only a mail-back option;

11 (5) The plan shall specify the use of only collectors
12 registered with the State pursuant to section 339D-28;
13 [~~and~~]

14 (6) The plan shall specify the use of recyclers that have
15 achieved and maintained third-party accredited
16 certification from the Responsible Recycling Standard
17 for Electronics Recyclers (R2), Standard for
18 Responsible Recycling and Reuse of Electronic
19 Equipment (e-Stewards), or an internationally
20 accredited third-party environmental management



1 standard for the safe and responsible handling of
2 electronic devices[-]; and

3 (7) The plan shall describe communication efforts with the
4 State and counties to facilitate consumer education
5 efforts to be conducted by the counties as required by
6 section 339D-25.

7 (c) The department shall review each manufacturer's plan
8 and, within sixty days of receipt of the plan, determine whether
9 the plan complies with this part. If the plan is approved, the
10 department shall notify the manufacturer or group of
11 manufacturers. Upon department approval, the manufacturer or
12 group of manufacturers shall implement the plan. If the plan is
13 rejected, the department shall notify the manufacturer or group
14 of manufacturers and provide the reasons for the plan's
15 rejection. Within thirty days after receipt of the department's
16 rejection, the manufacturer or group of manufacturers may revise
17 and resubmit the plan to the department for approval.

18 (d) Each manufacturer may develop its own recycling plan
19 or may collaborate with other manufacturers[~~; provided that the~~
20 ~~plan is implemented and fully operational by January 1, 2023]."~~



1 SECTION 4. Section 339D-23.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

3 "(c) Each manufacturer shall, at a minimum, collect and
4 recycle electronic devices according to the following:

5 (1) Beginning January 1, 2023, the equivalent of fifty per
6 cent, by weight, of the manufacturer's electronic
7 devices sold in the State two years prior, unless
8 amended by rule pursuant to chapter 91;

9 (2) Beginning January 1, 2024, the equivalent of sixty per
10 cent, by weight, of the manufacturer's electronic
11 devices sold in the State two years prior, unless
12 amended by rule pursuant to chapter 91; ~~and~~

13 (3) Beginning January 1, 2025, the equivalent of ~~[seventy]~~
14 sixty-three per cent, by weight, of the manufacturer's
15 electronic devices sold in the State two years prior,
16 unless amended by rule pursuant to chapter 91~~[+]~~;

17 (4) Beginning January 1, 2026, the equivalent of sixty-six
18 per cent, by weight, of the manufacturer's electronic
19 devices sold in the State two years prior, unless
20 amended by rule pursuant to chapter 91; and



1 (5) Beginning January 1, 2027, the equivalent of seventy
2 per cent, by weight, of the manufacturer's electronic
3 devices sold in the State two years prior, unless
4 amended by rule pursuant to chapter 91."

5 SECTION 5. Section 339D-23.3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

7 "(c) By March 31, 2023, and annually thereafter, each
8 manufacturer shall report to the department the total weight of
9 all electronic devices recycled or reused, by county, in the
10 previous calendar year. Reports shall be submitted on forms
11 prescribed by the department. For reports submitted containing
12 information for calendar years 2025, 2026, and 2027, the
13 following additional information shall be provided:

14 (1) A list of all collection and recycling locations with
15 corresponding days and hours of operation;

16 (2) The types and amounts by weight of each type of
17 electronic device collected by each collector for each
18 month;

19 (3) The names of recyclers and the amount in weight of
20 electronic devices purchased from each recycler;



- 1 (4) The names of collectors of the recycled electronic
2 devices; and
3 (5) The names of reuse facilities and the amount in weight
4 of electronic devices sent for reuse for each
5 facility."

6 SECTION 6. Section 339D-30, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended to read as follows:

8 "~~[§]§339D-30[§]~~ **Collector reporting requirements.** By
9 March 31, 2024, and annually thereafter, each collector shall
10 report to the department the weight of all electronic devices
11 collected for recycling ~~[or]~~ and for reuse in the previous year.
12 Reports shall be submitted on forms prescribed by the department
13 and shall indicate the name of the recycler and weight of
14 electronic devices sent to each recycler, and the name of the
15 refurbisher and the number of and weight of electronic devices
16 that were reused. Upon request, the department may require
17 submission of bills of lading and recycler receiving reports for
18 shipments to recyclers."

19 SECTION 7. The department of health, in consultation with
20 manufacturers, collectors, and other appropriate stakeholders,
21 shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations,



1 including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later
2 than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session
3 of 2028. The report shall include recommendations regarding:

4 (1) The collection weights of electronic devices in Hawaii
5 as reported by collectors and manufacturers, as well
6 as whether there are any other weights of electronic
7 devices available from other entities not currently
8 registered as collectors, if this information is
9 available;

10 (2) Whether electronic device collection weights are
11 capable of meeting manufacturer recycling obligations
12 under the existing law; and

13 (3) Whether the recycling obligations, including statewide
14 recycling goals, for manufacturers under the existing
15 law should be amended with consideration of the
16 current method based on weight of sales, or other
17 methods such as by weight of prior year collection
18 averages, or other weight metrics adopted in other
19 states.

20 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

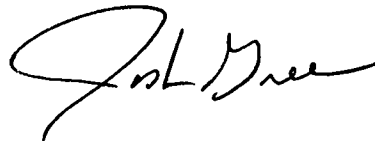


1 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.



S.B. NO. 1298
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APPROVED this 3rd day of June, 2025

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

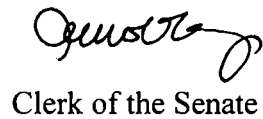
THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

Date: April 30, 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.



President of the Senate



Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 1298, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 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



Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives