

# GOV. MSG. NO. 715

#### **EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS**

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LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR

June 8, 2009

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on June 8, 2009, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1807 HD1 SD2 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER QUALITY. ACT 098 (09)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGILE

Approved by the Governor
on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8 2009
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2009
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 098

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER QUALITY.

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

. 1	PART I
2	DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE
3	SECTION 1. The purpose of this part is to enable Hawaii to
4	receive and use moneys under the federal American Recovery and
5	Reinvestment Act of 2009 and any later federal laws for drinking
6	water or wastewater infrastructure.
7	SECTION 2. Chapter 340E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
9	and to read as follows: '
10	"§340E- Use of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of
11	2009 and other federal moneys. (a) The director may provide
12	financial assistance to public water systems for the
13	construction of necessary drinking water infrastructure
14	projects, through the drinking water fund, using moneys from the
15	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and other
16	applicable federal acts.
17	(b) The director may establish a separate account within
18	the drinking water fund and assign to that account federal
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- 1 moneys appropriated under federal laws that authorize principal
- 2 forgiveness, zero and negative interest loans, and grants,
- 3 including the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and
- 4 other applicable federal acts. The director may use those
- 5 moneys and in so doing may include additional requirements and
- 6 subsidization not applicable to the remainder of the drinking
- 7 water fund, including forgiveness of principal, zero and
- 8 negative interest loans, and grants to public water systems that
- 9 meet eligibility requirements for the drinking water fund.
- (c) The director shall certify that a project is entitled
- 11 to priority over other eligible projects on the basis of
- 12 drinking water quality and financial needs, as well as a
- 13 preference to those projects that can be started and completed
- 14 expeditiously as stipulated under the American Recovery and
- 15 Reinvestment Act of 2009 and other applicable federal acts.
- 16 (d) Among eligible projects, the director may also give
- 17 priority to projects that incorporate renewable energy, energy
- 18 efficiency, and conservation measures in drinking water
- 19 infrastructure, to the extent allowed by federal law.
- (e) Each project receiving financial assistance shall
- 21 conform with the conditions for drinking water project financial
- 22 assistance under section 340E-37(a)."

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1	SECTION 3. Chapter 342D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"§342D- Use of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of
5	2009 and other federal moneys. (a) The director may provide
6	financial assistance for publicly owned wastewater treatment
7	works for the construction of necessary wastewater
8	infrastructure projects, through the revolving fund, using
9	moneys from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
10	and other applicable federal acts.
11	(b) The director may establish a separate account within
12	the revolving fund and assign to that account federal moneys
13	appropriated under federal laws that authorize principal
14	forgiveness, zero and negative interest loans, and grants,
15	including the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and
16	other applicable federal acts. The director may use those
17	moneys and in so doing may include additional requirements and
18	subsidization not applicable to the remainder of the revolving
19	fund, including forgiveness of principal, zero and negative
20	interest loans, and grants to publicly-owned wastewater
21	treatment works that meet eligibility requirements for the

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revolving fund.

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- 1 The director shall certify that a project receiving 2 financial assistance is entitled to priority over other eligible 3 projects on the basis of water pollution and financial needs, as 4 well as a preference to those projects that can be started and 5 completed expeditiously as stipulated under the American 6 Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and other applicable 7 federal acts. 8 (d) Among eligible projects, the director may also give 9 priority to projects that incorporate renewable energy, energy 10 efficiency, and conservation measures in wastewater 11 infrastructure, to the extent allowed by federal law. 12 (e) Each project receiving financial assistance shall be 13 in conformance with the conditions for water pollution control 14 financing under section 342D-87(a) (1), (2), (4), and (5), and 15 (b)." SECTION 4. Section 340E-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 16 17 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted 18 and to read as follows: 19 ""American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009" means the 20 federal law, Public Law 111-5, making appropriations for various
- infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science,
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purposes, including job preservation and creation,

- 1 assistance to the unemployed, and state and local fiscal 2 stabilization purposes." SECTION 5. Section 342D-80, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 3 4 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted 5 and to read as follows: 6 ""American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009" means the 7 federal law, Public Law 111-5, making appropriations for various 8 purposes, including job preservation and creation, 9 infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and state and local fiscal 10 11 stabilization purposes." 12 PART II TOTAL MAXIMUM LOAD COORDINATOR 13 SECTION 6. The department of health may establish not more 14 than two exempt positions, each entitled "total maximum daily 15 16 load coordinator." The total maximum daily load coordinator positions shall, among other duties, assist the department to 17 18 meet federal requirements for establishing total maximum daily 19 loads in Hawaii. This includes quantifying waste load 20 allocations and load allocation limits on pollutant loading of Hawaii inland and marine waters and developing technically based 21 22 plans for achieving the State's stated water quality goals. The
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- 1 positions shall be appointed by the director of health without
- 2 regard to chapter 76. These positions shall be funded by
- 3 federal grants to the State under the Federal Water Pollution
- 4 Control Act of 1972, Public Law 92-500 (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as
- 5 amended.
- 6 PART III
- 7 GENERAL PROVISIONS
- 8 SECTION 7. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 8 day of JUN , 2009

**GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII**