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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER QUALITY STANDARDS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to ensure that the
- 2 intent of Act 126, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, to revise
- 3 certain state water quality standards for marine waters to
- 4 conform to levels recommended by the State of Hawaii and the
- 5 United States Environmental Protection Agency is maintained by
- 6 deleting the Act's sunset date of June 30, 2011. The
- 7 legislature finds that: these revisions are important to the
- 8 economic and social development of the State; the revised
- 9 standards are adequate to fully protect the designated and
- 10 existing uses of the State's marine waters; and Act 126 should
- 11 not be repealed until such time as the water quality standards
- 12 adopted in sections 2 and 3 of Act 126 are replaced by an
- 13 appropriately approved water quality standard.
- 14 SECTION 2. Act 126, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, is
- 15 amended by amending section 6 to read as follows:
- "SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon approval;
- 17 provided that:



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1	(1)	The specific water quality standards prescribed in
2		this Act shall take effect upon their approval by the
3		United States Environmental Protection Agency; and
4	(2)	Any water quality standard adopted in section 2 or
5		section 3 of this Act shall be repealed upon a same or
6		corresponding standard being adopted, amended, or
7		repealed by rules adopted under chapter 91, Hawaii
8		Revised Statutes, by the department of health, and the
9		rule being approved by the United States Environmental
10		Protection Agency; provided further that the remaining
11		standards specified in this Act shall remain in
12		effect[; and
13	(3)	This Act shall be repealed on June 30, 2011]."
14	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
15	5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.	
16	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2011.
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Report Title:

Water Quality Standards

Description:

Repeals the sunset date of 06/30/11 for Act 126, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, relating to revisions of certain state water quality standards.

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