A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RECYCLING.

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

1	SECTION 1. With technological advancement, many of our
2	consumer electric products become obsolete within a very short
3	period of time, creating large amounts of waste. Limited
4	landfill space is a concern, and disposal of waste electric
5	products into our landfills has the potential to cause human and
6	environmental impacts. Proper waste handling and recycling of
7	valuable materials are important aspects of protecting Hawaii's
8	health and building a green economy.
9	SECTION 2. (a) There is established within the department
10	of health the Hawaii electric device recycling task force to
11	make recommendations for a workable recycling program for
12	electric devices in Hawaii, keeping in mind the conditions and
13	needs of the various islands.
14	(b) The members of the task force shall consist of the

- 14 15 following members:
- 16 (1) The director of health or the director's designee, who 17 shall serve as chairperson of the task force;

1	(2)	The program manager of the department of health's
2		solid and hazardous waste branch;
3	(3)	The recycling coordinators of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii
4		counties and the City and County of Honolulu;
5	(4)	Up to two representatives of the Consumer Electronics
6		Association, to be designated by the department of
7		health;
8	(5)	A representative of the Consumer Electronics Retailers
9		Council, which also includes manufacturers;
10	(6)	Up to three representatives of major retailers that
11		already conduct take-back programs for electric
12		devices, to be designated by the department of health;
13	(7)	Up to two representatives of major retailers that do
14		not already conduct take-back programs for electric
15		devices, to be designated by the department of health;
16	(8)	Up to six representatives of the local recycling
17		industry, to be designated by the department of
18		health;
19	(9)	Up to four representatives of the interstate and
20		intrastate shipping or freight transportation
21		industry, to be designated by the department of
22		health: and

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- (10) Any other members that the department of health
 chooses to designate.
- 3 (c) The department of health shall have the discretion of
- 4 reducing the size of the task force; provided that the
- 5 department maintains, to the extent reasonably possible,
- 6 representation from the various sectors.
- 7 (d) The members of the task force shall serve without
- 8 compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including
- 9 travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.
- 10 (e) The department of health shall submit a report of the
- 11 task force's findings and recommendations to the legislature no
- 12 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the 2013
- 13 regular session.
- (f) The task force shall be dissolved on June 30, 2013.
- 15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Recycling; Consumer Electronics; Hawaii Electric Device Recycling Task Force

Description:

Creates the Hawaii electric device recycling task force; dissolves on 06/30/2013. (SD1)

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