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The Hawai'i Fresh Water Council supports the intent of H.B. 2030 SD1.

The Hawaii Fresh Water Initiative was launched in 2013 to bring many diverse parties together to develop a forward-thinking and consensus-based strategy to increase water security for Hawaii. A blue ribbon panel of water stakeholders drawn from multiple perspectives came together to jointly and unanimously recommend key strategies and policies that will increase Hawaii's water security in the face of declining rainfall levels and climate change.

The Council identified a single goal for Hawaii: to create 100 million gallons per day (mgd) in additional, fresh water capacity for our islands by 2030. One of the key strategies to achieve this statewide goal is to increase water reuse by 30 mgd over the next 15 years.

H.B. 2030 SD1 prohibits the discharge of treated sewage into state waters after 12/31/2049 except when used to create clean energy.

The Council believes that improving our overall water reuse rate is an important step towards a more secure fresh water future. Innovative new programs and methods to encourage water reuse are increasingly required.

The Fresh Water Council supports the intent of H.B. 2030 SD1 to increase reuse in our state.

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