## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRESERVING CORAL REEFS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The University of Hawaii shall conduct a study
- 2 on the effects of sunscreen used by swimmers and other ocean
- 3 users on the coral reefs located in Hawaii waters. The study
- 4 shall include recommendations on how to mitigate the detrimental
- 5 effects to coral, if any, caused by sunscreen, giving due
- 6 consideration to the need to protect the coral reefs and the
- 7 possible impact that mitigation measures may have on residents
- 8 and visitors who use sunscreen.
- 9 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
- 11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 to study
- 12 the effects of sunscreen on coral reefs in Hawaii waters.
- 13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
- 14 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
- 15 SECTION 3. The University of Hawaii shall submit a
- 16 preliminary report to the legislature no later than twenty days
- 17 prior to the convening of the regular session of 2018, and a



- 1 final report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
- 2 to the convening of the regular session of 2019. The reports
- 3 may include proposed legislation.
- 4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

## Report Title:

Coral Reefs; Sunscreen; Study; Report; Appropriation

## Description:

Requires the University of Hawaii to conduct a study on the effects of sunscreen on Hawaii's coral reefs and report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. (SB1150 HD3)

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