
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RESOURCE CONSERVATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that federal energy
2 efficiency and water conservation standards have saved citizens
3 trillions of dollars, have prevented billions of metric tons of
4 carbon dioxide emissions, and have helped to protect the
5 environment.

6 The legislature further finds that President Donald Trump
7 has proposed to drastically cut or eliminate many federal energy
8 efficiency and water conservation programs and standards. In
9 response, California and Vermont have enacted legislation to
10 automatically adopt current federal energy efficiency and water
11 conservation standards should the federal government eliminate
12 or reduce those standards.

13 The purpose of this Act is to protect the environment by
14 requiring Hawaii to adopt or exceed various current federal
15 energy efficiency and water conservation standards if the
16 federal government eliminates or reduces those standards.



1 SECTION 2. Chapter 196, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§196- Energy efficiency and water conservation
5 standards; rules. (a) The commission shall adopt rules
6 pursuant to chapter 91 that adopt or exceed the minimum energy
7 efficiency and water conservation standards for each product
8 that is subject to a standard under 10 C.F.R. sections 430 and
9 431 as those provisions existed on January 19, 2017. The rules
10 shall prohibit any person from selling or offering for sale a
11 new product subject to the standard unless the energy efficiency
12 or water conservation of the new product meets or exceeds the
13 requirements set forth in the standard.

14 (b) The minimum standard and the testing protocol for each
15 product shall be the same as or exceed those adopted in sections
16 of the Code of Federal Regulations referenced in subsection (a).

17 (c) The commission shall adopt a minimum standard for
18 general service lamps that is forty-five or more lumens per
19 watt, when tested in accordance with 10 C.F.R. section
20 430.23(gg) as that provision existed on January 19, 2017. For
21 purposes of this subsection, "general service lamp" shall have



1 the same meaning as set forth in 82 Federal Register 7276, 7321-
2 7322, as amended by 82 Federal Register 7322, 7333.

3 (d) Each rule adopted pursuant to this section shall not
4 be enforceable until:

5 (1) The federal energy efficiency or water conservation
6 standard for the product addressed by that rule under
7 42 U.S.C. chapter 77 is withdrawn, repealed, or
8 otherwise voided; provided that this paragraph shall
9 not apply to any federal energy efficiency or water
10 conservation standard set aside by a court of
11 competent jurisdiction upon the petition of a person
12 who will be adversely affected, as provided in 42
13 U.S.C. section 6306(b); or

14 (2) A waiver of federal preemption is issued for the
15 product addressed by that rule pursuant to 42 U.S.C.
16 section 6297.

17 The federal standard for general service lamps shall be
18 considered to be withdrawn, repealed, or otherwise voided if it
19 does not come into effect on January 20, 2020, pursuant to the
20 actions published at 82 Fed. Reg. 7276 and 7333."

21 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.



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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Energy Efficiency; Water Conservation; Public Utilities
Commission

Description:

Requires the PUC to adopt rules adopting federal energy efficiency and water conservation standards. Makes the rules effective if the federal government repeals current federal energy efficiency and water conservation standards.

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