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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SUNSCREEN PRODUCTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that oxybenzone and
2 octinoxate have significant impacts on Hawaii's marine
3 environment and ecosystems, including causing mortality in coral
4 planula and gametes, increasing the susceptibility of coral
5 bleaching at temperatures lower than 87.8 degrees Fahrenheit,
6 and causing potential damage to coral and other marine
7 organisms' genomic integrity. These compounds have also been
8 shown to degrade coral physiology and coral reef community
9 integrity, which reduce acclimation and resiliency to climate
10 change factors and degrade coral reefs by inhibiting
11 recruitment. Other scientific studies show that both chemicals
12 can induce feminization in adult male fish, induce deformities
13 in the embryonic development of fish, sea urchins, coral, and
14 shrimp, and induce neurological behavioral changes in fish that
15 threaten the continuity of fish demographic populations.
16 Furthermore, species covered by the United States Endangered
17 Species Act that inhabit Hawaii's waters may be exposed to



1 oxybenzone and octinoxate contamination, including sea turtle
2 species, marine mammals, and migratory birds. Increased
3 probability of endocrine disruption, either causing demographic
4 feminization in fish or other types of reproductive diseases,
5 has been observed in marine invertebrate species (e.g., sea
6 urchins), vertebrate species (e.g., wrasses, eels, and
7 parrotfish), and mammals (in species similar to the Hawaiian
8 monk seal).

9 The legislature further finds that oxybenzone and
10 octinoxate are chemical blockers that protect skin from
11 ultraviolet radiation. As a result, oxybenzone and octinoxate
12 are commonly found in sunscreens and other similar sunscreen
13 products. Oxybenzone and octinoxate can be released into the
14 ocean when a swimmer who has applied sunscreen enters the water,
15 or through the waste mist plume of spray-on sunscreen.

16 Oxybenzone and octinoxate act as pseudo-persistent pollutants in
17 Hawaii's coastal waters, meaning that their environmental
18 contamination levels are constantly sustained or elevated by
19 swimmers, beachgoers, and other water users unless actively
20 mitigated. The legislature also finds that elevated levels of
21 oxybenzone and octinoxate have been detected at popular swimming



1 beaches and critical coral reef areas throughout the State,
2 including Waimea Bay, Hanauma Bay, and Waikiki beach on Oahu,
3 and Honolua Bay and Ahihi-Kinohiwa natural area reserve on Maui.
4 Sewage contamination of coastal waters is another source of
5 oxybenzone and octinoxate environmental contamination, as
6 oxybenzone and octinoxate are not removed from leaking cesspits,
7 septic systems, or leaks and discharges from municipal waste-
8 water collection and treatment systems.

9 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to prohibit the
10 sale in the State of sunscreen products containing oxybenzone
11 and octinoxate.

12 SECTION 2. Chapter 328, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately
14 designated and to read as follows:

15 "§328- Sale of sunscreen products containing oxybenzone
16 or octinoxate; prohibition. (a) No person shall knowingly sell
17 in the State any sunscreen product containing oxybenzone or
18 octinoxate without a medically-licensed prescription.

19 (b) For purposes of this section:

20 "Epidermal sunscreen product" includes lotion, paste, balm,
21 ointment, cream, solid stick applicator, brush applicator, roll-



1 on applicator, aerosol spray, non-aerosol spray pump, and
2 automated and manual mist spray.

3 "Octinoxate" is the chemical (RS)-2-Ethylhexyl (E)-3-(4-
4 methoxyphenyl)prop-2-enoate under the International Union of
5 Pure and Applied Chemistry chemical nomenclature registry, has a
6 chemical abstract service registry number 5466-77-3, includes
7 ethylhexyl methoxycinnamate, octyl methoxycinnamate, Eusolex
8 2292, and Uvinul MC80, and is intended to be used as protection
9 against ultraviolet light radiation with a spectrum wavelength
10 from 370 nanometers to 220 nanometers in an epidermal sunscreen
11 product.

12 "Oxybenzone" is the chemical (2-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-
13 phenylmethanone under the International Union of Pure and
14 Applied Chemistry chemical nomenclature registry, has a chemical
15 abstract service registry number 131-57-7, includes
16 benzophenone-3, Escalol 567, Eusolex 4360, KAHSCREEN BZ-3, 4-
17 methoxy-2-hydroxybenzophenone, and Milestab 9, and is intended
18 to be used as protection against ultraviolet light radiation
19 with a spectrum wavelength from 370 nanometers to 220 nanometers
20 in an epidermal sunscreen product."



SECTION 3. Section 328-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§328-6 Prohibited acts. The following acts and the causing thereof within the State by any person are prohibited:

- (1) The manufacture, sale, delivery, holding, or offering for sale of any food, drug, device, or cosmetic that is adulterated or misbranded;
- (2) The adulteration or misbranding of any food, drug, device, or cosmetic;
- (3) The receipt in commerce of any food, drug, device, or cosmetic that is adulterated or misbranded, and the delivery or proffered delivery thereof for pay or otherwise;
- (4) The sale, delivery for sale, holding for sale, or offering for sale of any article in violation of section 328-11, 328-12, or 328-17;
- (5) The dissemination of any false advertisement;
- (6) The refusal to permit entry or inspection, or to permit the taking of a sample, as authorized by sections 328-22 and 328-23 to 328-27, or to permit



1 access to or copying of any record as authorized by
2 section 328-23;

3 (7) The giving of a guaranty or undertaking which guaranty
4 or undertaking is false, except by a person who relied
5 on a guaranty or undertaking to the same effect signed
6 by, and containing the name and address of the person
7 residing in the State from whom the person received in
8 good faith the food, drug, device, or cosmetic;

9 (8) The removal or disposal of a detained or embargoed
10 article in violation of sections 328-25 to 328-27;

11 (9) The alteration, mutilation, destruction, obliteration,
12 or removal of the whole or any part of the labeling
13 of, or the doing of any other act with respect to a
14 food, drug, device, or cosmetic, if the act is done
15 while the article is held for sale and results in the
16 article being adulterated or misbranded;

17 (10) Forging, counterfeiting, simulating, or falsely
18 representing, or without proper authority using any
19 mark, stamp, tag, label, or other identification
20 device authorized or required by rules adopted under



1 this part or regulations adopted under the Federal
2 Act;

3 (11) The use, on the labeling of any drug or in any
4 advertisement relating to the drug, of any
5 representation or suggestion that an application with
6 respect to the drug is effective under section 328-17,
7 or that the drug complies with that section;

8 (12) The use by any person to the person's own advantage,
9 or revealing other than to the department of health or
10 to the courts when relevant in any judicial proceeding
11 under this part, any information acquired under
12 authority of section 328-11, 328-12, 328-17, or
13 328-23, concerning any method or process which as a
14 trade secret is entitled to protection;

15 (13) In the case of a prescription drug distributed or
16 offered for sale in this State, the failure of the
17 manufacturer, packer, or distributor thereof to
18 maintain for transmittal, or to transmit, to any
19 practitioner who makes written request for information
20 as to the drug, true and correct copies of all printed
21 matter which is required to be included in any package



1 in which that drug is distributed or sold, or such
2 other printed matter as is approved under the Federal
3 Act. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to
4 exempt any person from any labeling requirement
5 imposed by or under other provisions of this part;

- 6 (14) (A) Placing or causing to be placed upon any drug or
7 device or container thereof, with intent to
8 defraud, the trade name or other identifying
9 mark, or imprint of another or any likeness of
10 any of the foregoing; or
- 11 (B) Selling, dispensing, disposing of, or causing to
12 be sold, dispensed, or disposed of, or concealing
13 or keeping in possession, control, or custody,
14 with intent to sell, dispense, or dispose of, any
15 drug, device, or any container thereof, with
16 knowledge that the trade name or other
17 identifying mark or imprint of another or any
18 likeness of any of the foregoing has been placed
19 thereon in a manner prohibited by subparagraph
20 (A); or



1 (C) Making, selling, disposing of, or causing to be
2 made, sold, or disposed of, or keeping in
3 possession, control, or custody, or concealing,
4 with intent to defraud, any punch, die, plate, or
5 other thing designed to print, imprint, or
6 reproduce that trade name or other identifying
7 mark or imprint of another or any likeness of any
8 of the foregoing upon any drug, device, or
9 container thereof;

10 (15) Except as provided in part VI and section 461-1,
11 dispensing or causing to be dispensed a different drug
12 or brand of drug in place of the drug or brand of drug
13 ordered or prescribed without express permission in
14 each case of the person ordering or prescribing;

15 (16) The distribution in commerce of a consumer commodity
16 as defined in this part, if such commodity is
17 contained in a package, or if there is affixed to that
18 commodity a label, which does not conform to this part
19 and of rules adopted under authority of this part;
20 provided that this prohibition shall not apply to
21 persons engaged in business as wholesale or retail



1 distributors of consumer commodities except to the
2 extent that such persons:

3 (A) Are engaged in the packaging or labeling of such
4 commodities; or

5 (B) Prescribe or specify by any means the manner in
6 which such commodities are packaged or labeled;

7 (17) The selling or dispensing in restaurants, soda
8 fountains, drive-ins, lunch wagons, or similar public
9 eating establishments of imitation milk and imitation
10 milk products in place of fresh milk and fresh milk
11 products respectively; of liquid or dry products which
12 simulate cream but do not comply with content
13 requirements for cream in place of cream; of non-dairy
14 frozen desserts which do not comply with content
15 requirements for dairy frozen desserts in place of
16 dairy frozen desserts; and of any other imitation food
17 or one made in semblance of a genuine food in place of
18 such genuine food, unless the consumer is notified by
19 either proper labeling or conspicuous posted signs or
20 conspicuous notices on menu cards and advertisements
21 informing of such substitution, to include but not



1 limited to the substitution of imitation milk in milk
2 shake and malted milk drinks;

3 (18) Wilfully and falsely representing or using any
4 devices, substances, methods, or treatment as
5 effective in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation,
6 treatment, or alleviation of cancer. This paragraph
7 shall not apply to any person who depends exclusively
8 upon prayer for healing in accordance with teachings
9 of a bona fide religious sect, denomination, or
10 organization, nor to a person who practices such
11 teachings;

12 (19) The selling or offering for sale at any food facility
13 which serves or sells over the counter directly to the
14 consumer an unlabeled or unpackaged food that is a
15 confectionery which contains alcohol in excess of one-
16 half of one per cent by weight unless the consumer is
17 notified of that fact by either proper labeling or
18 conspicuous posted signs or conspicuous notices on
19 menu cards and advertisements;

20 (20) The sale to a person below the age of twenty-one years
21 of any food which is a confectionery which contains



1 alcohol in excess of one-half of one per cent by
2 weight [-]; and

3 (21) The sale of certain sunscreen products, in violation
4 of section 328- ."

5 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2019.
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Description:

Bans knowingly selling in the State sunscreen products containing oxybenzone or octinoxate, except for medically-licensed prescriptions. Takes effect on 1/1/2019.

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