
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COASTAL EROSION.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The university of Hawaii shall establish
2 and implement a two-year program to study the impact of sandbag
3 walls, often referred to as "sand burritos," on sand movement
4 patterns and coastal erosion at Ehukai beach park.

5 (b) The university of Hawaii shall submit a report of its
6 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
7 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
8 to the convening of the regular session of 2024.

9 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary,
10 between July 1, 2022, and December 31, 2024, no homeowner in the
11 State shall install or use a sandbag wall or "sand burrito"
12 unless authorized by an emergency permit from the department of
13 land and natural resources.

14 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
16 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to study



1 the impact of sandbag walls or "sand burritos" on sand movement
2 patterns and coastal erosion at Ehukai beach park.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the university of
4 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act; provided that the moneys
5 appropriated by this Act shall not lapse at the end of the
6 2022-2023 fiscal year; provided further that any moneys that
7 remain unencumbered on June 30, 2024, shall lapse on that date.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.
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INTRODUCED BY:



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H.B. NO. 2229

Report Title:

UH; DLNR; Ehukai Beach Park; Coastal Erosion; Sand Burritos;
Sandbag Walls; Study; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes and appropriates moneys for a two-year program at the University of Hawaii to study the impact of sandbag walls, or "sand burritos," on sand movement patterns and coastal erosion at Ehukai Beach Park. Establishes a temporary moratorium on the use of sandbag walls or sand burritos unless authorized by an emergency permit from the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

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