
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COSMETICS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that for more than fifty
2 years, cosmetic manufacturers have used animals in painful tests
3 to assess the safety of chemicals used in cosmetic products.
4 Today, modern approaches that are cheaper, faster, and more
5 reliable at predicting adverse human reactions are widely
6 available and are becoming more accessible each year. In
7 addition, companies now have thousands of existing cosmetic
8 ingredients with histories of safe use that have long been sold
9 and utilized.

10 California was the first state to prohibit the sale of
11 cosmetics tested on animals, which was supported by dozens of
12 cosmetic companies and industry associations, including the
13 Personal Care Products Council, California Retailers
14 Association, and California Manufacturers and Technology
15 Association. The California ban took effect on January 1, 2020,
16 and was joined by Illinois and Nevada. In 2013, the United
17 States' largest trading partner, the European Union, ended the



1 importation and sale of cosmetics that have been tested on
2 animals. Today, more than thirty countries have banned cosmetic
3 animal testing and several others have legislation pending.

4 The purpose of this Act is to prohibit manufacturers from
5 selling cosmetic products in the State that are tested on
6 animals beginning on January 1, 2024. It is not the intent of
7 this Act to penalize retailers or consumers who rely on
8 manufacturers to meet state laws or rules, nor is it the intent
9 to prohibit the continued import or export of cosmetic products
10 in the State from or to other countries if the safety of the
11 product sold in the State does not rely on data from animal
12 testing that was performed after 2023.

13 SECTION 2. Chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately
15 designated and to read as follows:

16 "§321- Cosmetics; animal testing; prohibition. (a)
17 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, and except as
18 otherwise provided in this section, it shall be unlawful for a
19 manufacturer to import for profit, sell, or offer for sale in
20 the State any cosmetic for which the manufacturer knew or
21 reasonably should have known that an animal test was conducted



1 or contracted, by or on behalf of the manufacturer or any
2 supplier of the manufacturer, on or after January 1, 2024.

3 (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to:

4 (1) An animal test of a cosmetic that is required by a
5 federal or state regulatory authority if all of the
6 following apply:

7 (A) The cosmetic or an ingredient in the cosmetic
8 that is being tested is in wide use and cannot be
9 replaced by another cosmetic or ingredient
10 capable of performing a similar function;

11 (B) A specific human health problem relating to the
12 cosmetic or ingredient is substantiated and the
13 need to conduct animal tests is justified and is
14 supported by a detailed research protocol
15 proposed as the basis for the evaluation of the
16 cosmetic or ingredient; and

17 (C) There is no nonanimal testing method accepted for
18 the relevant purpose by the applicable federal or
19 state regulatory authority;

20 (2) An animal test that was conducted to comply with a
21 requirement of a foreign regulatory authority, if no



1 evidence derived from that test was relied upon to
2 substantiate the safety of a cosmetic sold within the
3 State by the manufacturer;

4 (3) An animal test that was conducted on any product or
5 ingredient subject to the requirements of subchapter V
6 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 United
7 States Code 351 et seq.), as amended; or

8 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an
9 animal test that was conducted for purposes unrelated
10 to cosmetics pursuant to a requirement of a federal,
11 state, or foreign regulatory agency; provided that no
12 evidence derived from the testing was relied upon to
13 substantiate the safety of a cosmetic sold within this
14 State by the manufacturer; provided further that if
15 evidence from the testing was relied upon for that
16 purpose, paragraph (1) shall not apply if:

17 (A) Documentary evidence exists that the intent of
18 the test was unrelated to cosmetics; and

19 (B) The ingredient that was the subject of the
20 testing has been used for purposes unrelated to



1 cosmetics for no less than twelve months before
2 the reliance.

3 (c) A violation of this section shall be punishable by a
4 fine of \$5,000 and an additional \$1,000 for each day the
5 violation continues.

6 (d) A violation of this section may be enforced by the
7 prosecuting attorney of the county in which the violation
8 occurred. The fine shall be paid to the county in which the
9 violation occurred.

10 (e) A prosecuting attorney may, upon a determination that
11 there is a reasonable likelihood that a violation has occurred
12 under this section, review the testing data upon which a
13 cosmetic manufacturer has relied in the development or
14 manufacturing of the relevant cosmetic product sold in the
15 State.

16 (f) Any information disclosed under this section shall be
17 protected as a trade secret and a prosecuting attorney shall
18 enter into a protective order with the manufacturer before
19 receipt of the information from a manufacturer. A prosecuting
20 attorney shall take other appropriate measures necessary to



1 preserve the confidentiality of the information produced
2 pursuant to this subsection.

3 (g) This section shall not apply to:

4 (1) A cosmetic if the cosmetic in its final form was
5 tested on animals before January 1, 2024, even if the
6 cosmetic is manufactured on or after that date;

7 (2) An ingredient in a cosmetic if the ingredient was sold
8 in this State and tested on animals before January 1,
9 2024, even if the ingredient is manufactured on or
10 after that date; or

11 (3) A manufacturer reviewing, assessing, or retaining
12 evidence from animal testing.

13 (h) Counties or other political subdivisions of the State
14 shall not establish any prohibition on or relating to animal
15 tests that are not identical to the prohibitions set forth in
16 this section and that do not include the exemptions contained in
17 this section.

18 (i) For the purposes of this section:

19 "Animal test" or "animal testing" means the internal or
20 external application of a cosmetic, either in its final form or



1 any ingredient thereof, to the skin, eyes, or other body part of
2 a live, nonhuman vertebrate.

3 "Cosmetic" means any article intended to be rubbed, poured,
4 sprinkled, or sprayed on; introduced into; or otherwise applied
5 to the human body or any part thereof for cleansing,
6 beautifying, promoting attractiveness, or altering the
7 appearance, including personal hygiene products such as
8 deodorant, shampoo, or conditioner.

9 "Ingredient" means any component of a cosmetic product
10 defined by title 21 Code of Federal Regulations section 700.3,
11 as amended.

12 "Manufacturer" means any person whose name appears on the
13 label of a cosmetic product pursuant to the requirements of
14 title 21 Code of Federal Regulations section 701.12, as amended.

15 "Supplier" means any entity that supplies, directly or
16 through a third party, any ingredient used in the formulation of
17 a manufacturer's cosmetic."

18 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
19 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
20 begun before its effective date.

21 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Cosmetics; Cruelty-free; Animal Testing; Prohibition; Fines

Description:

Bans the import for profit, sale, and offer for sale of any cosmetic in the State if the final product or any component of the final product was developed or manufactured using animal testing performed on or after 1/1/2024. (SD1)

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