
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ORGANIC WASTE.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 342G-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding two new definitions to be appropriately
3 inserted and to read as follows:

4 "Biodegradable" means capable of being broken down into
5 carbon dioxide, methane, or simple organic compounds.

6 "Organic waste" means any material that is biodegradable
7 and comes from either a plant or an animal. The term includes
8 green waste, food waste, food-soiled paper, non-hazardous wood
9 waste, and landscape and pruning waste."

10 SECTION 2. Section 342G-26, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

12 "(b) The source reduction component shall identify and
13 evaluate specific measures for achieving source reduction,
14 including[7] but not limited to:

- 15 (1) Increased efficiency in the use of all materials;
16 (2) Replacement of disposable materials and products with
17 reusable materials and products; [~~and~~]



- 1 (3) Reduced packaging[-]; and
- 2 (4) By January 1, 2025, diversion of all organic waste
- 3 produced within the county by facilities generating
- 4 more than _____ tons of organic waste per year."

5 SECTION 3. Each county shall incorporate the new
6 requirement established by section 2 of this Act into its next
7 integrated solid waste management plan revision for submission
8 to the office of solid waste management of the department of
9 health pursuant to section 342G-24, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

10 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ _____ or so
12 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for
13 the department of health to reimburse the counties for
14 incorporation of the new requirements under this Act into their
15 respective integrated solid waste management plan revisions as
16 required by this Act.

17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
18 health for the purposes of this Act.

19 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
20 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

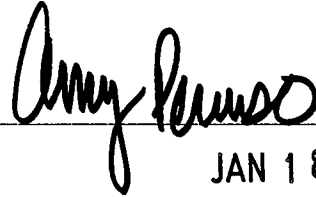


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1 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
2 provided that section 4 shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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Report Title:

Counties; Organic Waste Diversion; Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan; Appropriation

Description:

Requires each county to incorporate into its next integrated solid waste management plan revision a plan to divert by 1/1/2025 all organic waste produced within the county by facilities generating more than a minimum amount of organic waste per year. Appropriates funds to reimburse the counties for incorporation of the new requirement into their plan revisions.

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