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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
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JOSH GREEN, M.D.  
GOVERNOR  
KE KIA'ĀINA

April 19, 2023

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate,  
and Members of the Senate  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

✓ The Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on April 19, 2023, the following bill was signed into law:

SB422 SD1

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL  
ADVISORY COUNCIL.  
**ACT 024**

Sincerely,

Josh Green, M.D.  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

on APR 19 2023

THE SENATE  
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023  
STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 422  
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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 152, Session  
2 Laws of Hawaii 2021 (Act 152), administratively transferred the  
3 environmental advisory council from the department of health to  
4 the office of planning and sustainable development. In doing  
5 so, sections 341-3 and 341-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, were  
6 repealed. However, section 341-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
7 which sets out the functions of the environmental council, still  
8 references one of the sections repealed by Act 152.

9 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to make a  
10 housekeeping amendment to section 341-6, Hawaii Revised  
11 Statutes.

12 SECTION 2. Section 341-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 "§341-6 Functions of the environmental advisory council.  
15 The environmental advisory council shall serve as a liaison  
16 between the office of planning and sustainable development and  
17 the general public by soliciting information, opinions,



1 complaints, recommendations, and advice concerning ecology and  
2 environmental quality through public hearings or any other means  
3 and by publicizing such matters as requested by the director  
4 [~~pursuant to section 341 4(b)(3)~~]. The environmental advisory  
5 council may make recommendations concerning ecology and  
6 environmental quality to the office of planning and sustainable  
7 development and shall meet at the call of the council  
8 chairperson or the director of the office of planning and  
9 sustainable development upon notifying the council chairperson.  
10 The environmental advisory council shall monitor the progress of  
11 state, county, and federal agencies in achieving the State's  
12 environmental goals and policies and shall submit its report and  
13 recommendations for improvements concerning ecology and  
14 environmental quality to the office of planning and sustainable  
15 development, which shall include the report and recommendations  
16 in its annual report to the legislature. All state and county  
17 agencies shall cooperate with the council by responding to its  
18 requests for information."

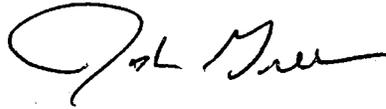
19 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
20 and stricken.

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



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APPROVED this 19th day of April, 2023

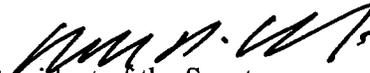
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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

**THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I**

Date: March 3, 2023  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023.

  
President of the Senate

  
Clerk of the Senate

**THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I**

Date: **APR 06 2023**  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023.

  
Speaker, House of Representatives

  
Clerk, House of Representatives