
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO REUSE ZONES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that water is a vital
2 natural resource used to support the people of Hawaii. As water
3 resources across the State are finite, alternatives such as
4 recycled water may provide economic benefits and protection of
5 public health while reducing the reliance on injection wells for
6 the disposal of wastewater effluent. The use of R-1 water may
7 also encourage the use of recycled water for certain activities
8 such as construction and irrigation.

9 Therefore, the purpose of this Act is to require nonpotable
10 water users or developers within certain distances from a
11 wastewater treatment plant to use R-1 water for nonpotable water
12 usage.

13 SECTION 2. Chapter 342D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately
15 designated and to read as follows:

16 "§342D- Reuse zones; nonpotable water; distance
17 required. Any nonpotable water users or developers



1 within miles of a wastewater treatment plant shall utilize
2 R-1 water for nonpotable water usage."

3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and
6 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
7 year 2024-2025 for the enforcement of R-1 water usage in areas
8 within miles of wastewater treatment plants.

9 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
10 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

11 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
13 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and
14 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
15 year 2024-2025 for full-time (FTE) positions within the
16 commission on water resource management for the purposes of this
17 Act.

18 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
19 of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

20 SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.

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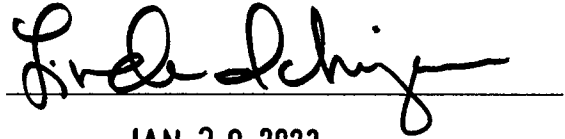


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1 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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Report Title:

Reuse Zones; Recycled Water; R-1 Water; Distance; Commission on Water Resource Management; Appropriation

Description:

Requires nonpotable water users and developers within a certain distance of wastewater treatment plants to use R-1 water.
Appropriates funds.

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