A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OCEAN STEWARDSHIP.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 187A-52, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended as follows:
- 3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:
- 4 "(a) All [operators of commercial vessels, water craft, or
- 5 water sports equipment that are required to have a commercial
- 6 operator] persons required to obtain a permit [pursuant to
- 7 section 13-256-3(a), Hawaii-Administrative Rules, from the
- 8 department to engage in commercial activity pursuant to sections
- 9 200-4, 200-10, 200-24, and 200-37, or any rules adopted
- 10 thereunder, shall collect an ocean stewardship user fee from
- 11 each passenger carried or customer served."
- 12 2. By amending subsection (c) to read:
- "(c) All fees collected pursuant to this section shall be
- 14 transferred to the department on a monthly basis and shall be
- 15 deposited into the ocean stewardship special fund; provided that
- 16 any fees collected on or after January 1, $[\frac{2029}{7}]$ 2031, shall be
- 17 deposited into the general fund."

- 1 SECTION 2. Act 46, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, is amended
- 2 by amending section 3 to read as follows:
- 3 "SECTION 3. Section 187A-A, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 4 established in section 2 of this Act to create the ocean
- 5 stewardship special fund, shall be repealed and the ocean
- 6 stewardship special fund shall be abolished on January 1,
- $7 \quad [\frac{2029}{7}]$ 2031, and any remaining balance shall lapse to the
- 8 general fund."
- 9 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Department of Land and Natural Resources; Ocean Stewardship User Fee; Ocean Stewardship Special Fund; Extension of Sunset Date

Description:

Amends the persons required to collect the Ocean Stewardship User Fee. Extends the sunset date of the Ocean Stewardship Special Fund to 1/1/2031. (CD1)

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