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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT.

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

SECTION 1. Section 342D-50.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"~~[+]§342D-50.5 [—Treated]~~ Wastewater or raw sewage;  
**prohibition.** (a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, no person, including any public body, shall discharge any ~~[treated]~~ wastewater or raw sewage into state waters after December 31, 2026; provided that this section shall not apply to a ~~[sewage]~~ treatment plant that:

(1) ~~[Utilizes sewage to produce]~~ Produces clean energy pursuant to section 196-10.5~~[+]~~ and

~~[(+2)—Is]~~ is in compliance with this chapter, rules adopted pursuant to this chapter, or a permit or variance issued by the director~~[+]~~; or

(2) Has a treatment capacity of less than ten million gallons per day.

(b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to:





1 (1) Prohibit the use of reclaimed or recycled water for a  
2 beneficial purpose as provided by law; or

3 (2) Allow the discharge of [~~treated~~] wastewater or raw  
4 sewage into state waters in violation of any federal  
5 statute, rule, or regulation."

6 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
7 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
8 begun before its effective date.

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  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 on December 31,  
12 2050.





**Report Title:**

Wastewater; Raw Sewage; Treatment; Discharge; Prohibition

**Description:**

Establishes that the prohibition against discharging wastewater or raw sewage into state waters after 12/31/2026 shall not apply to treatment plants that have a treatment capacity of less than ten million gallons per day. Effective 12/31/2050. (SD1)

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