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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:

"[~~f~~]~~§342D-50.5~~~~—Treated~~ Wastewater or raw sewage; **prohibition.** (a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, no [~~person, including any public body,~~] treatment plant 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.

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

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



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

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

7 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on December 31,  
10 2050.



# S.B. NO. 946 S.D. 2

**Report Title:**

Wastewater; Raw Sewage; Treatment; Discharge; Prohibition

**Description:**

Clarifies that the prohibition against discharging wastewater or raw sewage into state waters after 12/31/2026 applies to treatment plants. Effective 12/31/2050. (SD2)

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