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H.B. NO. 2320

A Bill for an Act Making an Appropriation for the Collection and Disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. In accordance with Section 9 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and sections 37-91 and 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the appropriation contained in this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 1992-1993 to be exceeded by \$350,000, or 0.011 per cent. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure ceiling are that the appropriation made in this Act is necessary to serve the public interest and to meet the needs provided for by this Act.

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SECTION 2. The legislature finds that the household hazardous waste collection and disposal projects conducted by the department of health in the past several years have proved to be tremendously successful. While it has been the intent of the State to work with the counties to establish a permanent solution to the problem of household hazardous waste collection and disposal, these interim collection projects have been extremely popular with the general public. In addition to providing a mechanism to protect Hawaii's landfills from further contamination, these projects have served to elevate the public's awareness of the dangers of improperly storing and discarding wastes generated in the household. The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to conduct a statewide household hazardous waste collection project.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$350,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 1992-1993, to conduct a statewide household hazardous waste collection project.

SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of health for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1992.

(Approved June 19, 1992.)