
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RECYCLING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that S.C.R. No. 74,
2 S.D. 1, regular session of 2014, requested the office of the
3 auditor to conduct an audit of the department of health's
4 advance disposal fee program. In response, the office of the
5 auditor released Report No. 14-17 in December of 2014, which
6 recommended that the department of health:

7 (1) Consider combining the advance disposal fee and
8 deposit beverage container glass processing streams to
9 increase efficiency and decrease costs while
10 increasing the supply of glass available for down-
11 cycling;

12 (2) Update and finalize the 2008 department of health
13 policy glass recycling draft dated July 1, 2008, to:

14 (A) Equally allow recycling or down-cycling;

15 (B) Clearly allow stockpiling of glass for the
16 purposes of maintaining inventory;



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1 (C) Include a complete list of approved down-cycling
2 options to allow recyclers more flexibility in
3 marketing their product; and

4 (D) Allow the use of glass as alternative daily cover
5 in the down-cycling options;

6 (3) Work with stakeholders to make practical policies and
7 rules governing the stockpiling of processed glass;
8 and

9 (4) Increase the recovery rate for advance disposal fee
10 glass containers to seventy-five per cent, which is
11 approximately the same redemption rate that the
12 deposit beverage container program has achieved,
13 through increased funding of the "buy back" program
14 and an increase in the advance disposal fee rate.

15 The purpose of this Act is to mandate the department of
16 health to adopt and implement the recommendations made by the
17 auditor.

18 SECTION 2. The department of health shall:

19 (1) Perform a cost-benefit analysis of and consider
20 combining the processing streams of the advance
21 disposal fee glass container, under section 342G, part



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1 VII, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and deposit beverage
2 container glass, under section 342G, part VIII, Hawaii
3 Revised Statutes;

4 (2) Update the 2008 department of health policy glass
5 recycling draft dated July 1, 2008. The updated
6 policy shall:

7 (A) Equally allow recycling or down-cycling;

8 (B) Clearly allow stockpiling of glass for the
9 purposes of maintaining inventory;

10 (C) Include a complete list of approved down-cycling
11 options; and

12 (D) Allow the use of glass as an alternative daily
13 cover in the down-cycling options;

14 (3) Work with stakeholders to make practical policies and
15 rules governing the stockpiling of process glass; and

16 (4) Increase the recovery rate for advance disposal fee
17 glass containers to seventy-five per cent.

18 SECTION 3. The department of health shall submit a report
19 to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
20 convening of the 2018 regular session. The report shall
21 include:



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- 1 (1) All findings and recommendations, including any
- 2 proposed legislation, with regard to combining the
- 3 advance disposal fee glass container and deposit
- 4 beverage container glass processing streams;
- 5 (2) The updated policy of the 2008 department of health
- 6 policy glass recycling draft dated July 1, 2008;
- 7 (3) All new policies and rules governing the stockpiling
- 8 of process glass; and
- 9 (4) Plans to increase the recovery rate for advance
- 10 disposal fee glass containers to seventy-five per
- 11 cent.

12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

13 INTRODUCED BY: *RCM*

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Report Title:

Department of Health; Advance Disposal Fee Glass; Deposit Beverage Container Glass; Recycling

Description:

Mandates the recommendations made by the office of the auditor to the department of health regarding advance disposal fee glass containers and glass recycling. Requires the department of health to report on its implementation of the recommendations to the legislature.

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