A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OXYBENZONE.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 328, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§328- Sunscreen; oxybenzone; labeling. (a) The sale, offering for sale, or distribution of any sunscreen containing oxybenzone shall be prohibited in the State unless the sunscreen label contains the following statement: "Oxybenzone, when used in nearshore waters, poses serious hazards to coral and reef health."

(b) For purposes of this section, "oxybenzone" means the chemical (2-Hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-phenylmethanone under the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry chemical nomenclature registry, which has a chemical abstract service registry number 131-57-7, and includes benzophenone-3 and 4-methoxy-2-hydroxybenzophenone (trade names Escalol 567, Eusolex 4360, KAHSCREEN BZ-3, and Milestab 9) and is intended to be used as a sunscreen to provide broad-spectrum ultraviolet coverage."
SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

INTRODUCED BY: 

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Report Title:
Oxybenzone; Sunscreen; Labeling; Prohibition

Description:
Prohibits the sale, offering for sale, or distribution of any sunscreen containing oxybenzone in the State, unless the sunscreen label contains a warning that the use of oxybenzone in nearshore waters poses serious hazards to coral and reef health.

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