A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that action is needed to protect Hawaii's groundwater from contamination. Large capacity underground storage tank systems pose a threat to the potability of the State's groundwater.

The purpose of this Act is to prohibit the operation of large capacity underground storage tank systems mauka of the underground injection control line, beginning January 1, 2028.

SECTION 2. Chapter 342L, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§342L- Underground storage tank system; underground injection control line; prohibition. Beginning January 1, 2028, no person shall operate an underground storage tank system that has a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, mauka of the underground injection control line.

For purposes of this section:
"Underground injection control line" means the line on the department of health underground injection control program maps which separates, in plan view, exempted aquifers and underground sources of drinking water.

"Underground injection control program" means the program established pursuant to section 340E-2.

"Underground source of drinking water" means an aquifer or its portion that:

(1) Supplies any public or private drinking water system or contains a sufficient quantity of ground water to supply a public water system; and

(A) Currently supplies drinking water for human consumption; or

(B) Contains fewer than ten thousand milligrams per liter total dissolved solids; and

(2) Is not an exempted aquifer."

SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:
Underground Storage Tank System; Large Capacity Tanks; Safe Drinking Water; Underground Injection Control Line

Description:
Prohibits, beginning 1/1/2028, a person to operate an underground storage system with a capacity of 100,000 gallons or more, mauka of the underground injection control line.

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