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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RAW MILK.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that many people wish to  
2 consume unpasteurized raw milk and raw milk products for various  
3 reasons, including its taste and potential health benefits.  
4 According to the National Conference of State Legislatures,  
5 Arizona, California, Connecticut, Idaho, Maine, New Hampshire,  
6 New Mexico, Nevada, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Utah, and  
7 Washington all permit the sale of raw milk in retail stores;  
8 Missouri and Wyoming permit the sale of raw milk at farmers  
9 markets; and Arkansas, Illinois, Kansas, Massachusetts,  
10 Minnesota, Nebraska, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota,  
11 Texas, and Wisconsin all allow the sale of raw milk on farms.

12           The legislature also finds that when properly produced, raw  
13 milk remains as safe as pasteurized milk; however, raw milk has  
14 taste and health benefits that may otherwise be destroyed in the  
15 double pasteurization process. Additionally, raw milk contains  
16 certain bacteria that are essential flavor components of many  
17 cheese varieties.



1           Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to allow milk  
2 producers to sell raw milk and raw milk products directly from a  
3 farm to consumers.

4           SECTION 2. Chapter 157, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
6 and to read as follows:

7           "§157-           Raw milk and raw-milk products; direct sales;  
8 labeling. (a) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, a  
9 producer may sell raw milk and raw milk products directly to  
10 consumers, subject to rules adopted by the board pursuant to  
11 subsection (b); provided that the farm or facility from which  
12 the raw milk or raw milk product originated contains no more  
13 than two milk-bearing cows.

14           (b) The board shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter  
15 91 concerning the direct sale to consumers of raw milk and raw  
16 milk products no later than July 1, 2022; provided that any  
17 rules adopted pursuant to this section shall:

18           (1) Include conditions similar to those found in the  
19           administrative rules of other states that allow the  
20           sale of raw milk and raw milk products;







# H.B. NO. 085

**Report Title:**

Raw Milk; Raw Milk Products; Direct Sales; Labeling Requirements

**Description:**

Authorizes the direct sale of raw milk and raw milk products to consumers, with certain restrictions. Specifies labeling requirements for raw milk and raw milk products.

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