
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COASTAL EROSION.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) The University of Hawaii shall establish
2 and implement a two-year program to study the impact of sandbag
3 walls, often referred to as "sand burritos", on sand movement
4 patterns and coastal erosion and on public trust resources,
5 including beach access, coastal water quality, and recreation,
6 at Ehukai beach park, including from the shoreline area near Ke
7 Iki road to Sunset beach.

8 (b) The University of Hawaii shall submit a report of its
9 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
10 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
11 to the convening of the regular session of 2025.

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to
15 study the impact of sandbag walls or "sand burritos" on sand
16 movement patterns and coastal erosion and on public trust
17 resources, including beach access, coastal water quality, and



1 recreation, at Ehukai beach park, including from the shoreline
2 area near Ke Iki road to Sunset beach.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
4 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act; provided that the moneys
5 appropriated by this Act shall not lapse at the end of the
6 2022-2023 fiscal year; provided further that any moneys that
7 remain unencumbered on June 30, 2024, shall lapse on that date.

8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

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Report Title:

UH; DLNR; Ehukai Beach Park; Oahu North Shore; Coastal Erosion;
Sand Burritos; Sandbag Walls; Study; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes and appropriates moneys for a two-year program at the University of Hawaii to study the impact of sandbag walls, or "sand burritos", on sand movement patterns and coastal erosion and on public trust resources, including beach access, coastal water quality, and recreation, at Ehukai Beach Park; including from the shoreline area near Ke Ike road to Sunset beach. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)

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