HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

ORDINANCE _____

BILL 12 (2026)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO SEWERS, DRAINAGE, AND CESSPOOLS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to require certain information relating to sewers, drainage, and cesspools to be publicly accessible.

SECTION 2. Chapter 43, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("Sewers, Drainage, and Cesspools"), is amended by adding a new article to be appropriately designated by the Revisor of Ordinances and to read as follows:

"ARTICLE ___: PUBLIC ACCESS TO WASTEWATER SYSTEM AND SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM INFORMATION

§ 43-___.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to ensure that the public has access to information on the city's wastewater system and separate storm sewer system.

§ 43-___.2 Definition.

For the purposes of this article, the following definition applies unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

Designated Department. The city department or agency designated by the mayor.

§ 43-___.3 Wastewater system and separate storm sewer system—Required website and map.

(a) *Website and map required.* The designated department shall make available on a single publicly accessible website information on the wastewater system required pursuant to subsection (b)(1) and information on the separate storm sewer system required pursuant to (c)(1). The website must include an interactive map that combines the city's geographic information system with the wastewater system features required pursuant to subsection (b)(2) and the separate storm sewer system features required pursuant to subsection (c)(2). The website and map must be updated at least once per month.

(b) *Wastewater system.*

(1) *Map features.* The map required pursuant to subsection (a) must include the locations of all wastewater treatment facilities, ocean outfalls, force mains, interceptors, trunk sewers, and pump stations.

(2) *Information.* The website required pursuant to subsection (a) must include the following information on the city's wastewater system:

(A) Treatment facility flows;

(B) Spill events;

(C) Sewer line capacity and flow amounts;

(D) Contaminant levels in the wastewater;

(E) The location of current and planned maintenance, repair, replacement, or installation work, including an estimated date of initiation and completion of the work;

(F) Information on the city's compliance with federal, State, or city laws relating to the wastewater system;

(G) Water quality measurements; and

(H) The number of public complaints relating to the wastewater system and the nature of the complaints.

(c) *Separate storm sewer system.*

(1) *Map features.* The map required pursuant to subsection (a) must include the locations of all storm water conduits, structures, and polygons.

(2) *Information.* The website required pursuant to subsection (a) must include the following information on the city's separate storm sewer system:

(A) Stormwater drainage line capacity and flow amounts;

(B) The annual amount of stormwater runoff;

(C) The annual amount of rainwater captured;

(D) Gray water reuse of stormwater;

(E) The location of current and planned maintenance, repair, replacement, or installation work, including an estimated date of initiation and completion of the work;

(F) The annual amount of trash and debris captured by the separate storm sewer system; and

(G) The number of public complaints relating to the separate storm sewer system and the nature of the complaints."

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SECTION 3. This ordinance takes effect upon on its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

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JAN 22 2026

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Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this_____ day of_____ , 20___ .

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RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

Report Title:
Wastewater System; Separate Storm Sewer System; Website; Map

Description:
Requires a department to be designated by the Mayor to make certain information relating to the City's wastewater system and separate storm sewer system publicly accessible.

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