



CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

ORDINANCE _____

BILL 63 (2020)

FILED
AUG 27 2022

PURSUANT TO ROH Sec. 1-2.4

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO COMPOSTING.

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

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a composting program in the City.

SECTION 2. Chapter 9, Article 1, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("General Provisions"), is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated by the Revisor of Ordinances and to read as follows:

"Sec. 9-1. Composting program.

- (a) The director shall establish a program for the curbside collection of food waste and for its recycling by a recycling or composting facility in the city.
- (b) In the transportation or application of compost products, the recycling or composting facilities and city must ensure compliance with all applicable health and agricultural pest control regulations.
- (c) In planning city construction and public works projects, the city shall consider whether compost products can be utilized in city projects or for projects on city land. If compost products can be so utilized, the city shall use compost products, except as follows:
 - (1) A sufficient supply of compost products will not be available within a reasonable period of time;
 - (2) Compost products that are available do not comply with existing purchasing standards;
 - (3) Compost products that are available do not comply with applicable federal or state health, quality, and safety standards;
 - (4) Compost purchase prices are not reasonable or competitive; and
 - (5) The total cost of using compost in lieu of an alternative product is financially prohibitive.



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- (d) When purchasing compost products for use in city projects or for projects on city land, the city shall take into consideration and give priority to purchasing finished compost products from recycling or composting facilities that produce compost products locally, are certified by a nationally recognized organization, produce compost products that are derived from food waste collected under the city's curbside recycling program, and meet any applicable federal or state quality standards.
- (e) The city shall buy back from a recycling or composting facility:
- (1) Finished compost products in an amount equal to or greater than fifty percent of the weight of the green waste and food waste delivered by the city to the recycling or composting facility; and
 - (2) All finished compost products, at least eight percent of which is composed of food waste collected through the city's curbside collection program.
- (f) Preferences in purchasing finished compost products from recycling or composting facilities and the required buy back of finished composted products as specified in subsections (d) and (e) take effect ___ months after the effective date of this ordinance and will only be required if permissible under the state procurement code as determined by the director of budget and fiscal services."

SECTION 3. New ordinance material is underscored. When revising, compiling, or printing this ordinance for inclusion in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the Revisor of Ordinances need not include the underscoring.



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SECTION 4. This ordinance takes effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tony Watson

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

AUG 27 2020
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

KIRK CALDWELL, Mayor
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