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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON BILL 43

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By: Councilman Todani

Bill 43
Relating To An Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan

Today, the City Council will vote on a landmark legislation to provide a positive "framework" towards a "livable economy" dealing with the problem of solid waste.

The legislation before the city council and the public is Bill 43, Relating To An Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan.

The solid waste problem of the City & County of Honolulu is a problem not to be taken lightly.

It is a health and safety issue. In fact, basically

our society takes it for granted that the city government will regularly and automatically remove domestic and commercial waste on private and public land. Thus, the belief in "out of sight out of mind". In fact, no one wants any solid waste processing facility in their backyard community.

So, what does Bill 43 do for our society and what is the business plan?

Bill 43 establishes the foundation to resolving how to process residential and commercial solid waste, what technologies are efficient and productive in processing solid waste, what

should be the by-product of the processed solid waste, what mythology should be used to eliminate/reduce undesirable solid waste odors, where should the future landfill be located, and what are the desirable landfill characteristics. Thus, the purpose of Bill 43 is to require the City & County of Honolulu have a workable and usable 25-year integrated solid waste management plan and that this plan be revised every 5 years to reflect any changes to that plan.

The business plan shall consist of the following:

1. By January 1, 2007, the department shall prepare and submit to the council, for its review, a revised 25-year integrated solid waste management plan that meets the requirements of Part III of HRS Chapter 342G. The department shall submit the revised plan to the state department of health and have it reviewed in accordance with HRS Section 342G-24.
2. In addition to the contents of the integrated solid waste management plan required by HRS Section 342-G25, the county plan shall include the following components:
   a. The use of alternative technologies such as but not limited to plasma arc. Gasification, vitrification or any other technologies that may be developed in the future to dispose of solid waste: and
   b. The alternative of shipping the solid waste off-island to a regional solid waste disposal site.
3. By March 1, 2010, the department shall again revisit and revise the January 1, 2007 plan referred to in subsection (a) and submit the plan to the council. Every five years after 2010, the department shall make revisions to the plan and submit the revised plan to the council. The

revised plan described herein shall also be submitted to the state department of health for review in accordance with HRS Section 342G-24