## **IEM Committee**

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**To:** IEM Committee

**Subject:** Oxybenzone and octinoxate

## Subject A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 20., MAUI COUNTY CODE, PROHIBITING THE SALE OF SKIN CARE PRODUCTS CONTAINING OXYBENZONE AND OCTINOXATE (IEM-45)

Aloha council members. We appreciate you passing a bill restricting sale of oxybenzone and octinoxate. These are two of the most toxic sunscreen ingredients that have some of the strongest studies showing they negatively impact corals and make it difficult for them to reproduce. There are many stressors for corals, toxic sunscreen chemicals is one we can easily remove NOW. Maui reefs bring in a great amount of money, from snorkeling, diving, fishing, food.... We shouldn't sell out our precious island resources for tourism when we can simply be more eco-conscious, sustainable, and have both.

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