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- Water and Infrastructure Committee (WAI)
- Special Committee on Real Property Tax Reform (RPTR)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alice L. Lee".

ALICE L. LEE
Council Chair

ORDINANCE NO. _____

BILL NO. 67 (2026)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3.55, MAUI COUNTY CODE, ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABILITY FUND

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI:

SECTION 1. This Ordinance's purpose is to enhance the stewardship of Maui County's natural, cultural, and agricultural resources through the Environmental Protection and Sustainability Fund.

Further, this Ordinance provides to:

(1) Allocate 20 percent of the Maui County transient accommodations tax to a separate, dedicated account administered by the Director of Finance.

(2) Ensure the sustainable and informed disbursement of such funds through required consultation with the Department of Environmental Management's Environmental Protection and Sustainability Division, the Department of 'Ōiwi Resources, and the Department of Agriculture.

(3) Mitigate the impacts of tourism on the environment, agricultural lands, and local communities by directing a portion of tax revenues toward environmental protection, cultural resource management, and agricultural sustainability.

SECTION 2. Section 3.55.040, Maui County Code, is amended to read as follows:

“3.55.040 Deposits to the fund. The following must be deposited into the environmental protection and sustainability fund:

1. Money transferred from the wastewater reclamation division of the department of environmental management related to the processing, handling, or disposal of sewage sludge.

2. Any fees or portions of fees as set [forth] in the annual budget [ordinance].

3. Supplemental transfers as set [forth] in the annual budget [ordinance].

4. Money from fines collected for violations of chapter 20.42.

5. Twenty percent of the Maui County transient accommodations tax collected under chapter 3.47.”

SECTION 3. Section 3.55.050, Maui County Code, is amended to read as follows:

“3.55.050 Administration. A. The director of finance [shall] must establish a separate account to record revenues and supplemental transfers credited to and expenses incurred by the fund.

B. Any proposed appropriation [shall] must be submitted to the council for approval as a budget appropriation in either the annual budget or a proposed amendment to the budget ordinance. In adopting each fiscal year’s budget and capital program, the council may make appropriations to the fund.

C. The revenues in this fund [shall] must not be used for any purpose except the purposes listed in section 3.55.020.

D. The director of finance must establish a separate account to record revenues derived from the transient accommodations tax and expenditures made with these revenues. Annual expenditures from this account must be made after consultation with the department of environmental management’s environmental protection and sustainability division, the department of ‘ōiwi resources, and the department of agriculture.”

SECTION 4. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this bill, the County Clerk need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.

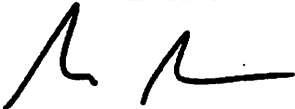
SECTION 5. This Ordinance takes effect on approval.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



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