The State of Hawaii Department of Health will hold a public hearing for the proposed amendment of Hawaii Administrative Rules chapter 11-273.1, which regulates businesses that generate or handle universal wastes. Changes are proposed to allow universal waste handlers to drill holes in or crush electronic storage media without a hazardous waste permit, improve clarity, and add labeling options for electronic items and batteries.

The proposed amendments are posted online at health.hawaii.gov/shwb/hazwaste and can be viewed at 2827 Waimano Home Rd #100 Pearl City, Mon-Fri, 8am-4pm (except state holidays). Copies will be mailed on payment of a copy fee and postage; call 808-586-4226 to request.

The public hearing will be at 9am on June 2, 2023 at the State Lab auditorium at 2725 Waimano Home Rd Pearl City. All interested parties may attend to present relevant information and individual opinion. To request an auxiliary aid or service (e.g. ASL interpreter, large print), call Noa at 808-586-4226 (voice/TDD) or e-mail noa.klein@doh.hawaii.gov as soon as possible to allow adequate time to fulfill your request.

Anyone unable to attend may send written testimony to Attn: HW Rules 2827 Waimano Home Rd #100 Pearl City, HI 96782 or noa.klein@doh.hawaii.gov. Testimony must be received by June 9.