

Kauai's Bill 2491 watered down, but moves forward

After a marathon 13-hour meeting Friday night, a watered-down version of Bill 2491 passed out of committee. It will now head to the full Kauai County Council for consideration.

While the pesticide disclosure provision gained strength, approximately half of the original bill did not survive.

Still, Councilman Gary Hooser — who co-introduced the bill with Councilman Tim Bynum — described Friday's outcome as a "huge step forward."

"Even though we only passed about 50 percent of it, the heart of it, the "right to know" provision, actually got stronger," he said by phone Saturday morning. "I'm very pleased we're moving the core of the bill forward and hoping to keep working on it to make it stronger."

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