

Kauai mayor vetoes controversial anti-GMO and pesticide bill, calls it a 'legal mess'

Mayor Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr. has vetoed Bill 2491, Relating to Pesticides and Genetically Modified Organisms, which was passed by the County Council on October 16.

"I have always said I agree with the intent of this bill to provide for pesticide use disclosure, create meaningful buffer zones and conduct a study on the health and environmental issues relating to pesticide use on Kaua'i," stated the Mayor. "However, I believe strongly that this bill is legally flawed. That being the case, I had no choice but to veto."

The Mayor has released the opinion on 2491 drafted by the Office of the County Attorney, which was delivered to him on October 24.

Read the full, original story here: ["Kauai mayor vetoes controversial GMO bill"](#)

Additional Resources:

- [Final draft of Bill 2491](#)
- [Kaua'i County news release: Mayor vetoes 2491](#)