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**TWO-LITER CONTAINERS INCLUDED IN HI-5 PROGRAM  
BEGINNING DECEMBER 1**

**Consumers can redeem 2-liter bottles for 5¢ refund**

HONOLULU – Starting December 1, 2007 2-liter bottles will now be included in the state’s HI-5 beverage deposit container program. Under a law passed this year (Act 285), consumers will be charged 6¢ for all labeled 2-liter containers (64 to 68 fluid ounces), and these containers can be redeemed for a 5¢ refund.

During December, January, and February, 2-liter containers will be accepted for redemption whether they are labeled with the HI-5¢ refund value or not. Below is a timeline for the phase-in of deposit containers sized 64.1 – 68 fluid ounces.

<b>December 1, 2007</b>
<b>Recycling Begins.</b> Consumers may begin to redeem containers sized 64.1 – 68 fluid ounces for refunds regardless if the containers are labeled with the HI-5¢ refund value or not.
<b>March 1, 2008</b>
<b>Only Labeled HI 5¢ Containers Can Be Redeemed.</b> Consumers may only recycle containers holding up to 68 fluid ounces for refunds if the containers are labeled with the HI 5¢ refund value.

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All eligible deposit beverage containers sized 64.1 – 68 fluid ounces will be counted by hand for redemption until weight conversion rates are updated to include the new container sizes.

For more information on the State's Deposit Beverage Container Program and redemption center locations, visit [www.hi5deposit.com](http://www.hi5deposit.com).

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