THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO.2126

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SECURITY DEPOSITS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 521, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
2	amended by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately		
3	designated and to read as follows:		
4	" <u>\$521–</u>	Security deposit alternatives. Upon a tenant's	
5	request, a la	ndlord that requires a security deposit as a	
6	condition of a rental agreement pursuant to section 521-44(b),		
7	shall offer to	o accept at least one of the following in lieu of	
8	the required security deposit:		
9	(1) Rent	cal security insurance; provided that:	
10	<u>(A)</u>	The insurance provider is an approved carrier	
11		licensed by, and in good standing with, the	
12		insurance division of the department of commerce	
13		and consumer affairs;	
14	<u>(B)</u>	The coverage is effective upon the payment of the	
15		first premium and remains effective for the	
16		entire lease term; and	



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1		(C) The coverage provided per claim is not less than	
2		the amount the landlord requires for a security	
3		deposit; or	
4	<u>(2)</u>	Payment of the total security deposit over a series of	
5	<u>r</u>	not less than six equal monthly installments, which	
6	5	shall be due on the same day as the monthly rent	
7	Ĩ	payment and paid together with the monthly rent	
8	<u>k</u>	payment in a single transaction, absent a separate	
9	2	agreement by the landlord and tenant.	
10	Nothing in this section shall be construed as to limit any other		
11	provisions or requirements pursuant to section 521-44."		
12	SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.		
13	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.		
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		INTRODUCED BY:	



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Report Title:

Security Deposit Alternatives; Rental Security Insurance; Security Deposit Installments; Residential Landlord-Tenant Code

Description:

Requires a landlord to accept either rental security insurance or security deposit installment payments in lieu of a traditional security deposit, upon a tenant's request.

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