## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OUTDOOR ADVERTISING.

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

1 The legislature finds that owners and residents SECTION 1. 2 of residential properties should be allowed to display signs and 3 other outdoor advertising devices on their property in a manner 4 that will not, by their size, location, or method of display, 5 interfere with traffic safety or otherwise endanger the public 6 health, safety, and welfare. 7 The purpose of this Act is to: Preserve the character of residential neighborhoods; 8 (1)Preserve order and cleanliness; 9 (2) Avoid the appearance of clutter; 10 (3) 11 (4)Protect property values; 12 Avoid the propagation of litter and the growth of (5) 13 weeds around signs; 14 (6) Reduce traffic hazards caused by distractions to 15 motorists and impairment of sight lines; 16 (7) Ensure that the State remains an attractive place to live, work, and visit; 17

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Protect the outstanding scenic beauty of our
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              community;
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              Reduce administrative burdens: and
              Protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
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         It is not the purpose of this Act to regulate or control
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    the copy, content, or viewpoint of any type of sign, nor is it
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    the intent of this Act to create any greater or less protection
    for any specific type of speech, commercial or non-commercial.
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         SECTION 2. Chapter 445, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
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    and to read as follows:
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                   Residential property limitations. (a) No sign,
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    billboard, or outdoor advertising device under section 445-112
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    displayed on residential property may be larger than four feet
    by two feet; provided that the total area of all signs for each
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    residential property unit shall not exceed sixteen square feet.
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         (b) No sign, billboard, or outdoor advertising device
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    under section 445-112 may be displayed on residential property
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    if the tenant or owner of the property has received any payment,
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    fee, or valuable consideration in return for the display.
              In a multi-unit residential structure, each separate
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         (c)
    unit shall be entitled to display signs, billboards, or outdoor
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- 1 advertising devices meeting the requirements listed in
- 2 subsection (a); provided that multi-unit residential structures
- 3 with four or more units may display signs in their common areas
- 4 that are no larger than eight feet by four feet; and provided
- 5 further that the total area of all signs in the common areas
- 6 shall not exceed sixty-four square feet.
- 7 (d) Nothing in this section is intended to permit any
- 8 sign, billboard, or outdoor advertising device otherwise
- 9 prohibited by county ordinance.
- 10 (e) For purposes of this section, the term "residential"
- 11 property" refers to separate residential properties that have
- 12 separate tax map keys."
- 13 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect January 1, 2112.

## Report Title:

Outdoor Advertising

## Description:

Limits the size of outdoor advertising displays on residential property. (HB1832 HD1)