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#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC ORDER.

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

1 SECTION 1. Urinating and defecating in public frightens 2 and offends many people. These behaviors also create a public 3 health risk because of the spread of disease and other health 4 hazards stemming from improper disposal of human waste. These 5 concerns, and the smell associated with public urination and 6 defecation, discourage people from patronizing establishments 7 located in the Waikiki district as well as utilizing the beach 8 and parks in the Waikiki district.

9 The purpose of this Act is to prohibit urinating or10 defecating in the Waikiki area.

SECTION 2. Chapter 711, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

14 "<u>\$711-</u> <u>Urinating or defecating in public.</u> (1) A
15 person commits the offense of urinating or defecating in public
16 if the person intentionally or knowingly urinates or defecates
17 in a public place or any area where such an act is likely to be
18 observed by any member of the public within the Waikiki area. HB LRB 11-0624.doc Page 2

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1	(2)	As used in this section:	
2	"Wai	kiki area" means the part of the city of Honolulu on	
3	the islan	d of Oahu which includes the Waikiki peninsula and the	
4	western s	lope of Diamond Head, bounded on:	
5	<u>(a)</u>	The shoreline and the Ala Wai Canal inlet;	
6	(b)	Northeast and south along the Ala Wai Canal to Paki	
7		<u>Avenue;</u>	
8	<u>(c)</u>	Southeast to Monsarrat Avenue;	
9	<u>(d)</u>	East on Monsarrat Avenue;	
10	<u>(e)</u>	Northeast to Kanaina Avenue, Kanaina Street and	
11		Diamond Head Circle;	
12	<u>(f)</u>	Up the slope of Diamond Head between Diamond Head	
13		Circle and Kanaina Street and the end of Noela Drive	
14		to the rim of Diamond Head Crater;	
15	<u>(g)</u>	South to Leahi Peak;	
16	<u>(h)</u>	Down the slope in line with Coconut Avenue to the	
17		shoreline; and	
18	<u>(i)</u>	North and West to the Ala Wai Canal inlet.	
19	As u	sed in this section, "public place" means any publicly-	
20	owned or j	privately-owned property open for public use or to	
21	1 which the public is invited for entertainment or business		

22 purposes and includes any street, sidewalk, driveway, alley,



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2	parking lot.		
3	(3) This section shall not apply where the person failed		
4	to use a restroom or other facility because of a medical		
5	condition verified by a licensed physician.		
6	(4) This section shall not apply to a person urinating or		
7	defecating while using appropriate fixtures in any restroom or		
8	other facility designed for the sanitary disposal of human		
9	waste.		
10	(5) Urinating or defecating in public is a petty		
11	misdemeanor."		
12	SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that		
13	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were		
14	begun before its effective date.		
15	SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.		
16	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.		
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doorway, mall, plaza, park, beach, zoo, public building, or

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Report Title: Urinating and Defecating in Public

**Description:** Prohibits urinating and defecating in public places.

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