

---

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

---

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND THE COUNTIES TO ISSUE  
TO EACH COMPLIANT SHORT-TERM RENTAL OPERATOR IN THE STATE,  
WRITTEN PROOF OF COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND COUNTY TRANSIENT  
ACCOMMODATIONS LAWS TO FACILITATE FULL COMPLIANCE WITH  
THOSE LAWS BY SHORT-TERM RENTAL OPERATORS AND PLATFORMS.

1 WHEREAS, short-term rentals have significantly increased in  
2 number and use within the State; and

3  
4 WHEREAS, the market for short-term rentals creates issues  
5 that need to be addressed, ranging from taxation to public  
6 safety concerns; and

7  
8 WHEREAS, online short-term rental platforms for short-term  
9 rentals have become the most used method in the State for  
10 providing short-term rentals; and

11  
12 WHEREAS, online short-term rental platforms have stated  
13 their willingness to work with the State and counties to ensure  
14 compliance with applicable laws; and

15  
16 WHEREAS, online short-term rental platforms have stated  
17 that they seek short-term rental operators who are in full  
18 compliance with state and county laws; and

19  
20 WHEREAS, verification of compliance with applicable laws to  
21 online short-term rental businesses consists of the short-term  
22 rental operator checking a box on their online registration  
23 form; and

24  
25 WHEREAS, the ease at which short-term rental operators can  
26 be dishonest about their compliance with state and county laws  
27 in their registration with online short-term rental platforms is  
28 troubling; and  
29



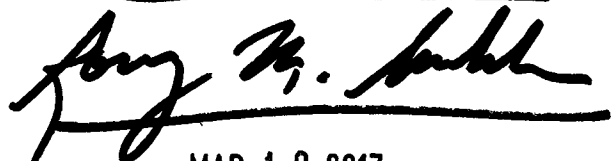
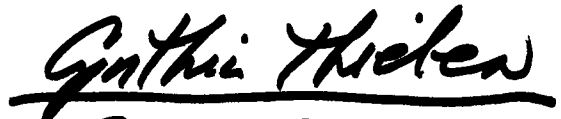
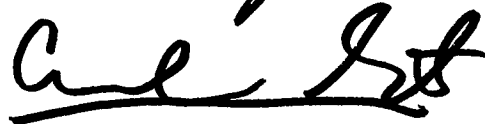
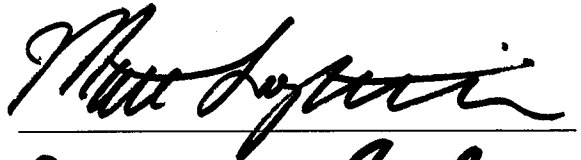
## H.R. NO. 84

1 WHEREAS, applicable state and county agencies should assist  
2 online short-term rental platform's expressed intent and  
3 commitment of requiring their operators to be fully compliant  
4 with local laws by making it as easy as possible to supply proof  
5 of compliance by the State and county; now, therefore,  
6

7 BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the  
8 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
9 of 2017, that the Department of Taxation and the counties are  
10 requested to issue to each compliant short-term rental operator  
11 in the State, written proof of compliance with state and county  
12 transient accommodations laws to facilitate full compliance with  
13 those laws by short-term rental operators and platforms; and  
14

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
16 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Taxation, Director  
17 of Finance of the County of Hawaii, Director of the Department  
18 of Budget and Fiscal Services of the City and County of  
19 Honolulu, Director of the Department of Finance of the County of  
20 Maui, and the Director of Finance of the County of Maui.  
21  
22  
23

OFFERED BY:



MAR 10 2017

