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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 127A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§127A-       Designated shelter in buildings open to the  
5 public; immunities. (a) In cases of emergency or disaster, the  
6 owner of any building open to the public shall provide shelter  
7 in or on the premises of the building to any member of the  
8 public visiting or conducting business in or on the premises of  
9 the building at the onset of an emergency or disaster.

10           (b) The owner of each building open to the public shall  
11 inform the appropriate county emergency management agency of the  
12 area designated for use as shelter in cases of emergency or  
13 disaster pursuant to subsection (a) in a manner to be determined  
14 by the county emergency management agency.

15           (c) No building owner subject to the duties of this  
16 section shall be civilly liable for the death or injury to any



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1 person or damage to any personal property as a result of any act  
2 done pursuant to the duties of this section."

3 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Emergency Management; Shelter; Buildings Open to Public

**Description:**

Requires the owners of buildings open to the public to provide shelter to visiting members of the public in cases of emergency or disaster. Requires the owners of buildings open to the public to inform the appropriate county emergency management agency of the designated shelter area. Provides immunity from civil liability for owners of buildings open to the public to provide shelter to visiting members of the public in cases of emergency or disaster.

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