
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING EACH COUNTY TO DEVELOP AND ADMINISTER A PERMITTING SYSTEM
FOR NON-PERMITTED OWNER-OCCUPIED TRANSIENT VACATION UNITS.

1 WHEREAS, the State and counties are working together to
2 regulate illegal transient vacation units, which have become
3 widespread throughout the State; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Tourism Authority estimates that there
6 are 27,177 transient vacation rentals in the State that are
7 advertised online; and
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9 WHEREAS, across the State, 79.6 percent of all Airbnb
10 listings are categorized as "entire place," meaning that the
11 entire housing unit is being rented out to visitors; and
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13 WHEREAS, existing laws and ordinances allow transient
14 vacation units to operate only in resort districts; however, the
15 counties are seeking options to authorize owner-occupied units
16 outside of resort districts to continue operating as short-term
17 rentals; and
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19 WHEREAS, a county permitting system for those who operate
20 owner-occupied transient vacation units will encourage owners to
21 properly register their properties for short-term rental use;
22 now, therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
25 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the
26 House of Representatives concurring, that this body urges each
27 county to develop and administer a permitting system for non-
28 permitted, owner-occupied transient vacation units; and
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body urges each county to
31 publicize the permitting system to maximize public awareness of
32 and participation in the program and to contract with



1 appropriate advertising agencies inside or outside the State to
2 accomplish this goal; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Planning
6 and Permitting for the City and County of Honolulu, Planning
7 Director for the County of Hawaii, Planning Director for the
8 County of Kauai, Planning Director for the County of Maui,
9 Chairperson of the Planning Commission for the City and County
10 of Honolulu, Chairpersons of the Windward and Leeward Planning
11 Commissions for the County of Hawaii, Chairperson of the
12 Planning Commission for the County of Kauai, Chairperson of the
13 Maui Planning Commission, Chairperson of the Molokai Planning
14 Commission, and Chairperson of the Lanai Planning Commission.

