A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to ensure that
- 2 customers are sufficiently aware of when an offer under a full-
- 3 service restaurant franchisee's advertising campaign is not
- 4 available in Hawaii by requiring full-service restaurant
- 5 franchisees to disclose their non-participation in a national
- 6 advertising campaign in which discounts or promotions are
- 7 offered.
- 8 SECTION 2. Chapter 481B, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 10 and to read as follows:
- 11 "§481B- Full-service restaurant franchise; advertising
- 12 campaigns; non-participation. (a) If a full-service restaurant
- 13 franchisee does not participate in a national advertising
- 14 campaign of the franchisor in which a discount or promotion is
- 15 offered, the franchisee shall disclose its non-participation at
- 16 its entrance or storefront with signage of a size sufficient to
- 17 be clearly visible to the general public.

- 1 (b) For the purposes of this section, "full-service
- 2 restaurant" means a sit-down eatery where food is served
- 3 directly to the customer's table and payment is made after being
- 4 served."
- 5 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

Report Title:

Full-service Restaurants; Non-participation; Franchise Advertising Campaign; Disclosure

Description:

Requires a full-service franchise restaurant to disclose its non-participation in national advertising campaigns that offer a promotion or discount with a sign at the entrance or storefront of the restaurant. (SD1)

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