
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAVEL.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding chapter 127A or any other
2 law to the contrary, this Act shall take precedence over all
3 conflicting statutes concerning this subject matter and shall
4 preempt all contrary laws, ordinances, rules, orders, or
5 proclamations adopted by the State, a county, or any department
6 or agency thereof.

7 (b) Any person entering the State or traveling between any
8 islands within the State shall be exempt from a post-arrival
9 mandatory self-quarantine if the person:

10 (1) Has a negative test result upon arrival from a state
11 approved-COVID-19 test administered within seventy-two
12 hours before departing from the final leg of
13 departure; provided that if a person has not received
14 a test result upon arrival from the final leg of
15 departure due to unforeseen circumstances through no
16 fault of the person, that person shall be subject to



1 and remain in a post-arrival mandatory self-quarantine
2 upon arrival unless and until the person:

3 (A) Submits to and obtains a negative test result
4 from a state-approved rapid COVID-19 test upon
5 arrival; and

6 (B) Obtains a negative test result from a state
7 approved-COVID-19 test administered within
8 seventy-two hours from the final leg of
9 departure; or

10 (2) Is under the age of five and accompanied by a person
11 who is exempt under paragraph (1).

12 (c) In addition to the exemptions provided for under
13 subsection (b), the department of health shall establish
14 conditions under which persons may be deemed automatically
15 exempt from the pre-travel testing requirements and mandatory
16 self-quarantine.

17 (d) Any person who receives a positive test result
18 post-arrival shall be responsible for securing and paying all
19 costs associated with that person's mandatory self-quarantine
20 and isolation, including transport, lodging, food, medical care,



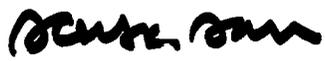
1 and any other expenses to sustain the person during the
2 mandatory self-quarantine period.

3 (e) The post-arrival mandatory self-quarantine exemption
4 provided by this Act shall not affect or in any way impede or
5 supersede the authority of the United States Centers for Disease
6 Control and Prevention or department of health pursuant to
7 sections 321-1 and 325-8 to require persons to quarantine if
8 they subsequently test positive for COVID-19 or if they are a
9 close contact of a person confirmed positive for COVID-19.

10 (f) For the purposes of this Act, "state approved-COVID-19
11 test" means a test to determine the presence of active COVID-19
12 infection that is administered through an entity approved by the
13 department of health.

14 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
15 and shall be repealed on December 31, 2021, or upon termination
16 of the State's emergency order for COVID-19 and mandatory
17 self-quarantine requirement for travelers, whichever occurs
18 first.

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Statewide Safe Travels Program Exemption; COVID-19; Quarantine

Description:

Exempts any person from the post-arrival mandatory self-quarantine if the person receives a negative test result prior to arrival. Allows DOH to establish conditions for exemption. Requires certain COVID-19 tests for travelers who do not have a test result upon arrival to avoid mandatory self-quarantine. Requires any person who receives a positive test for COVID-19 post-arrival to be responsible for all costs associated with that person's mandatory self-quarantine. Repeals on 12/31/2021.

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