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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SERVICE ANIMALS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 521, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:

4           "§521-A Tenant to disclose service animal. (a) A tenant  
5 shall disclose to the landlord their ownership of a service  
6 animal that will be living with the tenant prior to entering  
7 into a rental agreement.

8           (b) A landlord shall not refuse tenancy based on a  
9 tenant's ownership of a service animal.

10           §521-B Landlord's remedies for tenant's failure to  
11 disclose service animal. If the tenant fails to comply with the  
12 disclosure requirement specified in section 521-A, the tenant  
13 shall be liable to the landlord for \$100 plus reasonable  
14 attorneys fees."

15           SECTION 2. Section 521-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted  
17 and to read as follows:



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1        "Service animal" means the same as defined in section 347-  
2        2.5."

3        SECTION 3. In codifying the new sections added by section  
4        1 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute  
5        appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating  
6        the new sections in this Act.

7        SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

8        SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Service Animal; Landlord; Tenant; Disclosure

**Description:**

Requires a tenant to disclose to a landlord their ownership of a service animal. Provides for a penalty for a tenant's failure to disclose.

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