THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO. 2762

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RENT CONTROL.

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

SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding any other law to the
 contrary, no landlord shall rent or lease, or offer to rent or
 lease, a dwelling unit in a rent-controlled county at a rate
 that exceeds the rate for which that dwelling unit was rented or
 leased or was offered for rent or lease on the effective date of
 this Act.

7 (b) Any person who violates this Act shall be guilty of a
8 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined no more than
9 \$2,000, imprisoned no more than one year, or both.

10 (c) For the purposes of this Act:

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11 "Dwelling unit" has the same meaning as in section 521-8,
12 Hawaii Revised Statutes.

13 "Landlord" has the same meaning as in section 521-8, Hawaii
14 Revised Statutes.

15 "Rent-controlled county" means any county having a 16 population of more than one hundred twenty thousand but less 17 than one hundred eighty thousand. 3

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SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval,
 and shall be repealed on December 31, 2025.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Rental Units; Dwelling Units; Rent Control; Rental Rates

Description:

Prohibits a landlord from renting or leasing, or offering to rent or lease, a dwelling unit at a rate that exceeds the rate for which that dwelling unit was rented or leased or offered for rent or lease on the measure's effective date. Applies to any county having a population greater than 120,000 but less than 180,000. Sunsets 12/31/2025.

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