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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ÂINA

April 11, 2024

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on April 11, 2024, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2387

RELATING TO OWNERS OF LAND. **ACT 003**

Sincerely,

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Josh Green, M.D. Governor, State of Hawai'i

on <u>APR 1 1 2024</u>

THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 003 S.B. NO. **2387**

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OWNERS OF LAND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that sections 520-3 and 520-4(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, erroneously refer to section 2 3 520-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and should instead refer to 4 section 520-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The legislature also 5 finds that sections 520A-3 and 520A-4(a), Hawaii Revised 6 Statutes, erroneously refer to section 520A-6, Hawaii Revised 7 Statutes, and should instead refer to section 520A-5, Hawaii 8 Revised Statutes.

9 The legislature further finds that the legislative 10 reference bureau's revision bill is not the correct vehicle to 11 make these changes, since there are questions of legislative 12 intent.

13 Therefore, the purpose of this Act is to correct erroneous
14 references in chapters 520 and 520A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
15 SECTION 2. Section 520-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16 amended to read as follows:

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1 "§520-3 Duty of care of owner limited. Except as 2 specifically recognized by or provided in section [520-6,] 3 520-5, an owner of land owes no duty of care to keep the 4 premises safe for entry or use by others for recreational 5 purposes, or to give any warning of a dangerous condition, use, 6 structure, or activity on such premises to persons entering for 7 such purposes, or to persons entering for a purpose in response 8 to a recreational user who requires assistance, either direct or 9 indirect, including but not limited to rescue, medical care, or 10 other form of assistance." 11 SECTION 3. Section 520-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 12 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 13 "(a) Except as specifically recognized by or provided in 14 section $[520 - 6_7]$ 520-5, an owner of land who either directly or 15 indirectly invites or permits without charge any person to use 16 the property for recreational purposes does not: 17 (1)Extend any assurance that the premises are safe for 18 any purpose;

19 (2) Confer upon the person the legal status of an invitee
20 or licensee to whom a duty of care is owed;

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1 (3) Assume responsibility for, or incur liability for, any injury to person or property caused by an act of 2 3 omission or commission of such persons; and 4 (4) Assume responsibility for, or incur liability for, any 5 injury to person or persons who enter the premises in 6 response to an injured recreational user." 7 SECTION 4. Section 520A-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 8 amended to read as follows:

9 "\$520A-3 Duty of care of owner limited. Except as 10 specifically recognized by or provided in section [520A 6,] 11 520A-5, an owner of land owes no duty of care to keep the 12 premises safe for entry or use by others for control or 13 eradication of invasive species, or to give any warning of a 14 dangerous condition, use, structure, or activity on such 15 premises to persons entering for such purposes, or to persons 16 entering in response to such persons who require assistance, either directly or indirectly, including but not limited to 17 18 rescue, medical care, or other form of assistance."

19 SECTION 5. Section 520A-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is20 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

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1 "(a) Except as specifically recognized by or provided in 2 section [520A-67] 520A-5, an owner of land who either directly 3 or indirectly invites or permits without charge any person to use the property for control or eradication of invasive species 4 5 does not: 6 Extend any assurance that the premises are safe for (1)7 any purpose; 8 Confer upon the person the legal status of an invitee (2)9 or licensee to whom a duty of care is owed; 10 Assume responsibility for, or incur liability for, any (3) 11 injury to any person or property caused by an act of 12 omission or commission of such persons; and 13 (4) Assume responsibility for, or incur liability for, any 14 injury to any person or persons who enter the premises 15 in response to an injured person who entered the premises to control or eradicate invasive species." 16 17 SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 18 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 19 Kal Nom 20

INTRODUCED BY:



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APPROVED this 11th day of April , 2024

Joh Dree M.D.

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

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THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: February 29, 2024 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the Senate

of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2024.

President of the sena

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Clerk of the Senate

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: MAR 2 2 2024

Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

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