A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT CODE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 521, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately
- 3 designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "<u>\$521-</u> Changing of locks; required. Upon entering into
- 5 a rental agreement with a tenant for a term of six months or
- 6 longer, the landlord shall change or rekey all locks to the
- 7 property before the tenant's date of initial occupancy; provided
- 8 that the landlord shall be granted a grace period of no more
- 9 than thirty days after the tenant's date of initial occupancy to
- 10 comply with this section."
- 11 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 12 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 13 begun before its effective date.
- 14 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.

Report Title:

Residential Landlord-Tenant Code; Landlord Obligations; Locks

Description:

Requires landlords to change or rekey all locks to a residential property before the tenant's date of initial occupancy for any lease with a term of six months or longer. Provides a grace period of thirty days after the tenant's date of initial occupancy. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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