A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ACCESS FOR DISABLED PERSONS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the statewide
- 2 program on parking for persons with disabilities, established
- 3 under part III of chapter 291, Hawaii Revised Statutes, pursuant
- 4 to federal Public Law 100-641, enables individuals with mobility
- 5 disabilities to travel and park in accessible parking spaces.
- 6 The legislature further finds that while section 291-58,
- 7 Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires that each public and private
- 8 entity that provides a parking space reserved for persons with
- 9 disabilities comply with part III of chapter 291, Hawaii Revised
- 10 Statutes, and any administrative rules adopted under that part,
- 11 the statute does not authorize enforcement by a government
- 12 entity. Instead, section 291-58, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 13 provides that any action to impose or collect a fine on a
- 14 non-compliant private entity shall be considered a civil action.
- 15 Since its effective date of July 1, 2002, the statute has not
- 16 been enforced.

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1	Accordingly, the purpose of the Act is to authorize the		
2	counties to adopt ordinances to enforce the accessible parking		
3	space design requirements of part III of chapter 291, Hawaii		
4	Revised Statutes, and any administrative rules adopted under		
5	that part.		
6	SECTION 2. Section 291-58, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
7	amended to read as follows:		
8	"[+]\$291-58[+] Requirement to provide parking for persons		
9	with disabilities; [penalty.] ordinances to enforce authorized.		
10	[Beginning July 1, 2002, any public or private entity that		
11	provides a parking space reserved for persons with disabilities		
12	shall comply with this part and any administrative rules adopted		
13	under this part. A private entity that fails to comply with		
14	this section shall be fined not less than \$250 nor more than		
15	\$500 for each separate offense. Each day of violation shall		
16	constitute a separate offense. Any action taken to impose or		
17	collect any penalty provided for in this section shall be		
18	considered a civil action.] (a) Each county may adopt		
19	ordinances to:		
20	(1) Enforce the design and construction requirements of		
21	. the this part, and any administrative rules adopted		

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1		pursuant to this part, pertaining to the provision of
2		parking spaces and access to parking spaces reserved
3		for persons with disabilities, including but not
4		limited to the number, location, design, and signage
5		of these parking spaces; and
6	(2)	Establish penalties for failure to comply with the
7		ordinances adopted pursuant to this section.
8	(b)	An official appointed by a county may enter the
9	property	of places of public accommodation to enforce any
10	applicabl	e ordinances adopted pursuant to this section.
11	<u>(c)</u>	For the purpose of this section, "place of public
12	accommoda	tion" shall have the same meaning as defined in section
13	<u>489-2.</u> "	
14	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
15	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
16	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.

Report Title:

Persons with Disabilities; Parking Enforcement; Counties; Ordinances

Description:

Authorizes each county to adopt ordinances to enforce the design and construction requirements for the provision of accessible parking spaces, including the establishment of penalties for failure to comply with the ordinance. Authorizes officials appointed by a county to enter the property of places of public accommodation to enforce violations of the county ordinances. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD2)

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