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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

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

1       SECTION 1. Chapter 206N, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2       amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3       and to read as follows:

4       "§206N-       Wireless telecommunications carriers; backup  
5       power. (a) As a condition for any permit under section 206N-6  
6       for a wireless telecommunications carrier to construct,  
7       reconstruct, or alter a telecommunications facility, the  
8       telecommunications facility shall maintain emergency backup  
9       power for a minimum of twelve hours.

10       (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit  
11       the public utilities commission's authority to regulate wireless  
12       telecommunications carriers under chapter 269 or to require  
13       emergency backup power of greater duration.

14       (c) For purposes of this section, "telecommunications  
15       carrier" has the same meaning as in section 269-1."



1       SECTION 2. Chapter 269, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4       "§269- Wireless telecommunications carriers; backup  
5 power. (a) As a condition for any certificate of public  
6 convenience and necessity under section 269-7.5 for a wireless  
7 telecommunications carrier the application shall demonstrate  
8 that the carrier either:

9       (1) Owens, operates, or maintains infrastructure used for  
10       the provision of telecommunications services in the  
11       state and has the capability to maintain emergency  
12       backup power for a minimum of twelve hours; or

13       (2) Does not own, operate, or maintain infrastructure used  
14       for the provision of telecommunications services in  
15       the state and obtains network access from a separate  
16       utility that has established its capability to  
17       maintain emergency backup power for a minimum of  
18       twelve hours.

19       (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit  
20 the public utilities commission's authority to regulate wireless



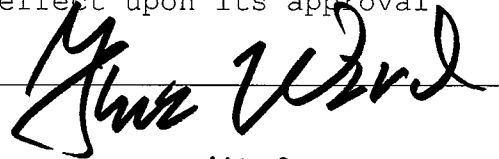
1 telecommunications carriers under this chapter or to require  
2 emergency backup power of greater duration."

3 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
4 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
5 begun before its effective date.

6 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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# H.B. NO. 1418

**Report Title:**

Wireless Telecommunications; Carriers; Backup Power; Facilities

**Description:**

Requires a wireless telecommunications carrier, as a condition for any permit under section 206N-6 or certificate of public convenience and necessity under section 269-7.5, to maintain emergency backup power for a minimum of twelve hours.

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