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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HANALEI BAY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hanalei Bay is known 2 for its character as a quiet recreational area for families and 3 visitors to participate in ocean activities, including surfing, 4 swimming, paddle boarding, sailing, and kayaking. The 5 legislature further finds that there has been a growing increase 6 in the number of large vessels, including yachts and ships, 7 mooring in Hanalei Bay, posing a risk to the health and safety 8 of individuals and families participating in ocean activities in 9 the bay.

10 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to preserve the 11 quiet recreational character of Hanalei Bay and protect the 12 safety of residents and visitors who use the bay for water 13 activities by restricting the size of vessels permitted to enter 14 Hanalei Bay and requiring the board of land and natural 15 resources to define the boundaries of Hanalei Bay by rule.

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1	SECTION 2. Chapter 200, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
3	designated and to read as follows:
4	" <u>§200-</u> Hanalei Bay; vessel restrictions. No vessel
5	more than seventy-five feet in length shall enter Hanalei Bay
6	waters, the boundaries of which shall be defined by the board in
7	rules adopted pursuant to chapter 91; provided that this section
8	shall not apply to vessels operated by a federal, state, or
9	county agency."
10	SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
11	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July, 1, 3000.

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Report Title:

Board of Land and Natural Resources; Hanalei Bay; Boundaries; Vessel Restrictions; Exemptions

Description:

Prohibits vessels longer than seventy-five feet from entering Hanalei Bay except for vessels operated by a federal, state, or county agency. Requires the Board of Land and Natural Resources to define boundaries of Hanalei Bay by rule. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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