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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LANDLORD TENANT CODE.

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

- 1       SECTION 1. (a) There is established the residential  
2 landlord-tenant code working group within the judiciary to:
- 3       (1) Conduct a comprehensive review of the residential  
4 landlord-tenant code and determine whether amendments  
5 and updates to the landlord-tenant code are necessary;
- 6       (2) Review existing mechanisms available to both landlords  
7 and tenants for the enforcement of rights under the  
8 landlord-tenant code; and
- 9       (3) Consider the feasibility of statutory processes  
10 through which injunctive relief might be obtained.
- 11       (b) The working group shall consist of the following  
12 members:
- 13       (1) The chief justice of the Hawaii supreme court, or the  
14 chief justice's designee, who shall serve as  
15 chairperson of the working group;
- 16       (2) One member appointed by the president of the senate;



1 (3) One member appointed by the speaker of the house of  
2 representatives; and

3 (4) Other members appointed by the chairperson of the  
4 working group.

5 (c) The members of the working group shall serve without  
6 compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including  
7 travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties.

8 (d) No member of the working group shall be subject to  
9 chapter 84, Hawaii Revised Statutes, solely because of the  
10 member's participation in the working group.

11 (e) The working group shall submit a report of its  
12 findings and recommendations, including any proposed  
13 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior  
14 to the convening of the regular session of 2027.

15 (f) The working group shall be dissolved on June 30, 2027.

16 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
17 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
18 begun before its effective date.

19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Landlord-Tenant Code; Working Group; Report

**Description:**

Establishes a working group facilitated by the Judiciary to conduct a comprehensive review of and recommend updates to the Residential Landlord-Tenant Code. Requires a report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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