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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PARKING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that section 291-55,
2 Hawaii Revised Statutes, exempts individuals who possess a
3 disabled paid parking exemption permit from paying parking fees
4 via parking meters or unattended pay stations, for the first two
5 and a half hours, or the maximum time the meter allows,
6 whichever is longer.

7 Some permittees have reported that this exemption period is
8 insufficient to cover the time required to park, exit the
9 vehicle, travel to the desired destination, conduct activities
10 at the destination, and return to the parked vehicle. Some
11 permittees have also reported being confused by the statutory
12 language regarding the "maximum time the meter allows".

13 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to amend the length
14 of the fee exemption period to ensure clarity and consistency
15 across all applicable parking spaces in the State.

16 SECTION 2. Section 291-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
17 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



1 "(b) A driver who is issued a disabled paid parking
2 exemption permit pursuant to section 291-52.2 shall be permitted
3 to park a vehicle in any parking area where payment is required,
4 via a parking meter or unattended pay station, without payment
5 of parking fees for the first ~~two-and-a-half hours or the~~
6 ~~maximum amount of time the meter allows, whichever is longer.]~~
7 four hours and thirty minutes."

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

11 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY: 



S.B. NO. 2366

Report Title:

Parking; Meters; Persons with Disabilities; Fee Exemption; Permit

Description:

Amends the fee exemption period for individuals possessing a disabled paid parking exemption permit from the first 2.5 hours or the maximum amount of time the meter allows, whichever is longer, to the first 4.5 hours.

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