

JAN 23 2026

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. Section 291-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending the definition of "certificate of
4 disability" to read:

5 ""Certificate of disability" means a medical statement
6 issued by a licensed practicing physician, physician assistant,
7 or advanced practice registered nurse that verifies that a
8 person is [disabled,]:

9 (1) Disabled, limited, or impaired in the ability to
10 walk[-]; or

11 (2) Blind or deaf."

12 2. By amending the definition of "person with a
13 disability" to read:

14 ""Person with a disability" means [a]:

15 (1) A person who is blind or deaf, as certified by a
16 licensed practicing physician, physician assistant, or
17 an advanced practice registered nurse; or



1 (2) A person with a disability that limits or impairs the
2 ability to walk, and who, as determined by a licensed
3 practicing physician, physician assistant, or an
4 advanced practice registered nurse:

5 [~~(1)~~] (A) Cannot walk two hundred feet without stopping to
6 rest, and who has been diagnosed with:

7 [~~(A)~~] (i) An arthritic, neurological, orthopedic,
8 renal, vascular, or oncological condition;

9 [~~(B)~~] (ii) Lung disease to such an extent that the
10 person's forced (respiratory) expiratory
11 volume for one second, when measured by
12 spirometry, is less than one liter, or the
13 arterial oxygen tension is less than sixty
14 mm/hg on room air at rest; or

15 [~~(C)~~] (iii) A cardiac condition to the extent that the
16 person's functional limitations are
17 classified in severity as Class III or Class
18 IV according to the standards set by the
19 American Heart Association; and

20 [~~(2)~~] (B) Because of a condition identified in [~~paragraph~~
21 ~~(1)~~]: subparagraph (A):



- 1 ~~[(A)]~~ (i) Cannot walk two hundred feet under the
2 person's own power without stopping to rest;
3 ~~[(B)]~~ (ii) Cannot walk without the use of, or
4 assistance from, a brace, cane, crutch,
5 another person, prosthetic device,
6 wheelchair, or other assistive device; or
7 ~~[(C)]~~ (iii) Uses portable oxygen."

8 SECTION 2. 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 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

14 INTRODUCED BY: 



S.B. NO. 2850

Report Title:

Disability Parking Pass; People with Disabilities; Eligibility;
Deaf; Blind

Description:

Provides that people who are blind or deaf are eligible to apply for and receive a disabled paid parking permit.

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