
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LAND USE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:
4 "§205- **Passenger ropeways; mountains; prohibited.** (a)
5 Notwithstanding sections 46-4, 205-2, 205-4.5, 205-5, and 205-6,
6 or any other law to the contrary, the operation of passenger
7 ropeways shall be prohibited in all land use districts; provided
8 that a government entity, official government-recognized
9 corporation, or official government recognized nonprofit
10 organization shall be exempt from this prohibition, subject to
11 approval by the legislature.
12 (b) As used in this section:
13 "Aerial lift" means a ropeway on which passengers are
14 transported in cabins or on chairs.
15 "Aerial tramway" means a ropeway on which passengers are
16 transported in cable-supported carriers that:
17 (1) Are not in contact with the ground or terrain; and



1 (2) Reciprocate between terminals.

2 "Commercial funicular" means a ropeway on which carriers
3 are supported and guided by a guideway, are propelled by means
4 of a haul rope system, and are operated as a single or double
5 reversible system and used for commercial purposes.

6 "Detachable grip lift" means a monocable or bicable ropeway
7 system on which carriers circulate around the system alternately
8 attaching to and detaching from a moving haul rope.

9 "Passenger ropeway" means a device or system used to
10 transport passengers along a level, inclined, or declined path
11 by means of a haul rope or other flexible elements that is
12 driven by a power unit that remains essentially at a single
13 location. "Passenger ropeway" includes:

14 (1) Aerial lifts, including detachable grip lifts and
15 chair lifts;

16 (2) Aerial tramways; and

17 (3) Commercial funiculars.

18 "Passenger ropeway" does not include elevators or a device or
19 system strictly for private, single-home use and of a length not
20 greater than one hundred feet."

21 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

Land Use; Passenger Ropeways; Prohibition; Exemption

Description:

Prohibits passenger ropeways in all land use districts, with an exemption for a government entity or official government government-recognized corporation or nonprofit organization, subject to legislative approval. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)

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