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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL LEASEHOLDS.

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

1       SECTION 1.   Section 516-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2   amended to read as follows:

3       "**§516-2   Applicability.**   This chapter applies to all lands  
4   leased as residential lots [~~which~~] that are owned or held  
5   privately or owned by the State or its political subdivisions,  
6   except:

7       (1)   Hawaiian home lands [~~which~~] that are subject to  
8       Article XII of the Constitution of the State [~~and~~  
9       lands];

10      (2)   Lands owned or held by the federal government[~~-~~]; and

11      (3)   State and county lands leased after July 1, 2026, for  
12      an initial period of not less than ninety-nine years.

13   This chapter is not meant to supersede or preclude any other  
14   remedy at law available to residential leasehold lessees or the  
15   State, including those available under chapter 480."

16      SECTION 2.   Section 516D-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
17   amended to read as follows:



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1       "**§516D-1 Applicability.** This chapter applies to all lands  
2 on which are situated either residential condominium property  
3 regimes created under chapter 514B or any predecessor thereto,  
4 or cooperative housing corporations, which are owned or held  
5 privately or by the State or by the counties, except:

6       (1) Hawaiian home lands [~~which~~] that are subject to  
7 Article XII of the Constitution of the State [~~and~~  
8 ~~lands~~];

9       (2) Lands owned or held by the federal government[~~—~~]; and

10       (3) State and county lands leased after July 1, 2026, for  
11 an initial period of not less than ninety-nine years."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  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

14       SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



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**Report Title:**

Residential Leases; State Lands; County Lands; Exemption

**Description:**

Exempts state and county lands leased after July 1, 2026, for an initial period of not less than 99 years from chapters 516 and 516D, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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