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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that education and
2 training are essential to ensure that condominium board members
3 understand their fiduciary duties, legal responsibilities,
4 compliance with local ordinances and regulations and state and
5 federal laws, and their operational roles. Effective
6 self-governance relies heavily on the informed decision-making
7 of volunteer condominium board members. However, despite board
8 members' willingness to attend education and training events,
9 rules put in place by the board or managing agent may hamper
10 their participation.

11 The legislature further finds that board members should be
12 afforded the opportunity to attend educational training without
13 any barriers. The legislature also finds that volunteer board
14 members should be empowered in their efforts to seek education.
15 Eliminating barriers that prevent board members from attending
16 educational training events will strengthen the governance and
17 resilience of condominium communities across the State.



1 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to clarify the
2 authorizations for education expenses incurred by the board of
3 directors of a condominium association.

4 SECTION 2. Section 514B-107, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5 amended by amending subsection (f) to read as follows:

6 "(f) The directors may expend association funds, which
7 shall not be deemed to be compensation to the directors, to
8 educate and train themselves in subject areas directly related
9 to their duties and responsibilities as directors [~~; provided~~
10 ~~that the approved annual operating budget shall include these~~
11 ~~expenses as separate line items~~]. These expenses may include
12 registration fees, books, videos, tapes, other educational
13 materials, and economy travel expenses. Except for economy
14 travel expenses within the State, all other travel expenses
15 incurred under this subsection shall be subject to the
16 requirements of subsection (d). There shall be no impediment or
17 limitation imposed on a director who is willing to attend any
18 condominium-related educational training."

19 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
20 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



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

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Report Title:

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