
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL HOUSING UTILITIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 54, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2 by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§54- Service availability for residential dwellings.

5 (a) The board of water supply shall publish on its website maps
6 of its service areas that:

7 (1) Reflect the availability of domestic water service for
8 new residential dwelling construction or expansions of
9 existing residential dwellings proposed for at least
10 one to four housing units per parcel in residentially
11 zoned areas;

12 (2) Include general descriptions regarding any limitations
13 to the availability of domestic water service as a
14 result of source, storage, or distribution deficiency;
15 provided that:

16 (A) Parcel-by-parcel information shall not be
17 required;



1 (B) Utility assets shall not need to be specified;
2 and

3 (C) Geographically identified areas shall be
4 consistent with the detail in general plan maps
5 developed under section 46-4; and

6 (3) Include sufficient supporting analysis explaining the
7 deficiency or other limitation in paragraph (2) that
8 disallows a service connection.

9 (b) The maps shall be published on the website of the
10 board of water supply no later than January 1, 2029, and updated
11 no less than annually thereafter.

12 (c) The board of water supply may add a disclaimer stating
13 that the map data is preliminary and is not the actual permit
14 determination on water availability.

15 (d) For parcel owners where maps identify water
16 availability, the board of water supply shall create a process
17 on its website to request a conditional clearance based on maps
18 confirming that water is available for a parcel. Any clearance
19 positively confirming water service shall be honored if a
20 building permit is submitted by the parcel owner within at least
21 ninety days of board determination.



1 (e) The board of water supply may adopt rules pursuant to
2 chapter 91 necessary for the purposes of this section."

3 SECTION 2. Chapter 54, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
4 by adding a new section to part III to be appropriately
5 designated and to read as follows:

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19 ninety days of board determination.

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- 1 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 2 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

Residential Utilities; Public Disclosure; Building Permitting;
County Board of Water Supply

Description:

Requires each county board of water supply to publicly disclose through their website service connection availability for residential permitting and construction. Effective 7/1/3000.
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