

ACT 12

S.B. NO. 1527-86

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Residential Landlord-Tenant Code.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Section 521-44, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

“(d) For the purposes of this section if a tenant is absent from the dwelling unit for a continuous period of [thirty] twenty days or more without written notice to the landlord the tenant shall be deemed to have wrongfully quit the dwelling unit[.]; provided that the tenant shall not be considered to be absent from the dwelling unit without notice to the landlord during any period for which the landlord has received payment of rent. In addition to any other right or remedy the landlord has with respect to such a tenant the landlord may retain the entire amount of any security deposit he has received from or on behalf of such tenant.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 10, 1986.)