ACT 9

H.B. NO. 415

A Bill for an Act Relating to Harbors.

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

SECTION 1. Section 200-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

- "(c) Notwithstanding any limitations on commercial permits for Lahaina and Maalaea small boat [harbor,] harbors, vessels engaging in inter-island ferry service between the islands of Maui and Molokai shall be afforded preferential consideration for both ferry landings and other commercial purposes, including the issuance of a commercial operating permit and the waiver of any applicable fees, at Lahaina and Maalaea small boat [harbor;] harbors; provided that:
 - (1) The vessel operator has been issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the purpose of engaging in inter-island ferry service that includes a route between the islands of Maui and Molokai;
 - (2) The design and performance characteristics of the vessel will permit safe navigation within the Lahaina harbor entrance channel and safe docking along the north face of the Lahaina pier;
 - (3) The vessel operations will not result in unreasonable interference with the use of Lahaina or Maalaea small boat [harbor] harbors by other vessels; and
 - (4) All preferential consideration and waivers, including any commercial permits issued under this section, shall cease upon the vessel operator's termination of inter-island ferry service <u>route</u> between the islands of Maui and Molokai."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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

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

(Approved April 19, 2001.)