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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS.

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

1 Section 489-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is SECTION 1. 2 amended by amending the definition of "place of public 3 accommodation" to read as follows: 4 ""Place of public accommodation" means a business, 5 accommodation, refreshment, entertainment, recreation, or 6 transportation facility of any kind whose goods, services, 7 facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations are 8 extended, offered, sold, or otherwise made available to the 9 general public as customers, clients, or visitors [-]; provided 10 that the term does not include any facility owned or operated by 11 a religious organization and used for religious purposes. By 12 way of example, but not of limitation, place of public 13 accommodation includes facilities of the following types: 14 A facility providing services relating to travel or (1)15 transportation; 16 (2) An inn, hotel, motel, or other establishment that

provides lodging to transient guests;

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1	(3)	A restaurant, cafeteria, lunchroom, lunch counter,
2		soda fountain, or other facility principally engaged
3		in selling food for consumption on the premises of a
4		retail establishment;
5	(4)	A shopping center or any establishment that sells
6		goods or services at retail;
7	(5)	An establishment licensed under chapter 281 doing
8		business under a class 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12
9		license, as defined in section 281-31;
10	(6)	A motion picture theater, other theater, auditorium,
11		convention center, lecture hall, concert hall, sports
12		arena, stadium, or other place of exhibition or
13		entertainment;
14	(7)	A barber shop, beauty shop, bathhouse, swimming pool,
15		gymnasium, reducing or massage salon, or other
16		establishment conducted to serve the health,
17		appearance, or physical condition of persons;
18	(8)	A park, a campsite, or trailer facility, or other
19		recreation facility;
20	(9)	A comfort station; or a dispensary, clinic, hospital,
21		convalescent home, or other institution for the
22		infirm;



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1	(10)	A professional office of a health care provider, as	
2		defined in section 323D-2, or other similar service	
3		establishment;	
4	(11)	A mortuary or undertaking establishment; and	
5	(12)	An establishment that is physically located within the	
6		premises of an establishment otherwise covered by this	
7		definition, or within the premises of which is	
8		physically located a covered establishment, and which	
9		holds itself out as serving patrons of the covered	
10		establishment.	
11	No p	lace of public accommodation defined in this section	
12	shall be requested to reconstruct any facility or part thereof		
13	to comply with this chapter."		
14	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed		
15	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
16	SECT	ION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.	
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Report Title:

Public Accommodations; Religious Organizations

Description:

Excludes religious facilities from the definition of "place of public accommodation" to exempt those facilities from the law regarding discrimination in public accommodations.

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