
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 52D-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "~~§~~52D-3~~§~~ **Powers and duties of chief of police.** (a)

4 The chief of police shall have the powers and duties as
5 prescribed by law, the respective county charter, and as
6 provided by this chapter.

7 (b) The chief of police shall have the power to enter
8 without warrant the common areas of any public housing project,
9 as defined in section 356D-1 or 356D-91, for the purpose of
10 enforcing applicable state and county laws thereon. For
11 purposes of this subsection, "common area" means real property
12 within a public housing project, including community facilities
13 as defined in section 356D-1, and excludes dwelling units as
14 defined in section 356D-1."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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



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

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Report Title:

Public Housing; Police Powers

Description:

Confers specific power on chiefs of police to enter and enforce laws in common areas of public housing.

