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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MULTI-UNIT RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by adding
2 two new sections to be appropriately designated and to read as
3 follows:

4 "§ - Multi-unit residential buildings; resident
5 safety. (a) No later than one year from the effective date of
6 this Act, the resident manager, condominium association, owner,
7 or other similar person responsible for the management,
8 operations, and safety of a multi-unit residential building
9 shall survey the residents of the building in writing to
10 establish each resident's medical or other critical personal
11 needs including their:

12 (1) Inability to ascend or descend stairs;

13 (2) Medication issues such as:

14 (A) Required refrigeration; and

15 (B) Limited supplies;

16 (3) Dependence on a respirator or oxygen;

17 (4) Use of a wheelchair or other assistive device;



1 (5) Mental limitations such as those caused by Alzheimer's
2 or other illness or condition; and

3 (6) Special dietary needs.

4 (b) All information provided by these surveys shall be
5 kept in writing in a safe place, preferably on or near the
6 property, and, in case of a disaster or other emergency, made
7 available to rescue personnel including fire, police, and civil
8 defense.

9 (c) Provision of the information for each survey shall be
10 voluntary. The survey information shall be updated every six
11 months.

12 (d) No person, association, or other entity responsible
13 for providing the survey and preserving the survey information
14 shall be liable for any loss due to a faulty survey, or the loss
15 or misuse of the survey results.

16 **§ - Multi-unit residential buildings; emergency**
17 **evacuation plans.** No later than one year from the effective
18 date of this Act, the resident manager, condominium association,
19 owner, or other similar person responsible for the management,
20 operations, and safety of a multi-unit residential building
21 shall have developed, with the aid of rescue and medical
22 personnel as necessary, an emergency evacuation plan for the



1 building. A copy of the plan shall be provided to every unit in
 2 the building and a copy shall be posted in one or more public
 3 areas where it is most likely to be seen by the greatest number
 4 of residents such as elevator lobbies."

5 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Condominiums; Resident surveys

Description:

Requires regular surveys of residents of multi-unit residential buildings on specific needs and issues relating to medical needs, accommodations for the disabled, and other special needs for emergency preparation purposes. Requires multi-unit residential buildings to have and inform their residents of emergency evacuation plans.

