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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 353C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§353C- Emergency lighting in public meeting places.

5 (a) There shall be required for every theater, public
6 auditorium, and other similar public meeting place that does not
7 have a natural light source and that has a maximum allowable
8 capacity of or more persons to be equipped with an
9 emergency lighting system that will operate during an electrical
10 power outage.

11 (b) For the purposes of this section, the following terms
12 shall have the following meaning:

13 "Public auditorium" means a facility generally open to the
14 public where an audience may observe a live performance,
15 including but not limited to performances involving theatrical
16 works, music, dance, and speeches.



1 "Theater" means a place where a variety of performing arts
 2 can take place to form a single artistic theme, including but
 3 not limited to speeches, comical routines, gestures, music,
 4 dance, visual arts, and other spectacles."

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:

Public Safety; Electrical Power Failure; Emergency Lighting

Description:

Requires theaters, public auditoriums, and other public meeting places that have no natural light source to be equipped with an emergency lighting system that will operate during an electrical power outage.

