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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOSPITAL LICENSING.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 321-14.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

3 "(c) The rules may provide that accreditation by the joint  
4 commission on accreditation of healthcare organizations  
5 demonstrates a hospital's compliance with all licensing  
6 inspections required by [~~rules for the year in which the joint~~  
7 ~~commission on accreditation of healthcare organizations~~  
8 ~~accreditation is issued.~~] the State. The rules may exempt a  
9 hospital from a licensing inspection [~~for the year in which a~~  
10 ~~joint commission on accreditation of healthcare organizations~~  
11 ~~accreditation is issued] on a continuing basis throughout the  
12 term of the accreditation under the following conditions:~~

13 (1) The hospital provides a certified copy of the  
14 hospital's official joint commission on accreditation  
15 of healthcare organizations accreditation report to  
16 the department;



1 (2) The hospital continuously holds full accreditation by  
2 the joint commission on accreditation of healthcare  
3 organizations; and

4 (3) The hospital holds a current and valid state license."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  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

7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.



**Report Title:**

Hospital Licensing

**Description:**

Permits the department of health the option of recognizing full accreditation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations as evidence of hospital compliance with all licensing inspection for the duration of the accreditation.  
(CD1)

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