

JAN 22 2016

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Act 18, Session Laws
2 of Hawaii 2012, authorized the installation of utility meters to
3 measure utility use by individual units within a condominium,
4 regardless of when the condominium project was constructed;
5 provided that the condominium association bore the cost of
6 installing the utility meters. Separate utility metering
7 requires individual residents to be financially responsible for
8 their own energy use, which may help incentive owners to
9 conserve energy.

10 The legislature further finds that although Act 18
11 authorized separate metering of utilities in condominiums, it
12 did not address separate metering of utilities in cooperative
13 housing corporations. For consistency, the ability to install
14 utility meters to measure utility use by individual dwelling
15 units should be extended to cooperative housing corporations.

16 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to allow a board of
17 directors of a cooperative housing corporation to authorize the



S.B. NO. 2327

Report Title:

Cooperative Housing Corporations; Metering of Utilities;
Separate Utility Metering

Description:

Allows a board of directors of a cooperative housing corporation to authorize the installation of separate utility meters for each dwelling unit; provided that the corporation pays the cost of installing the meters.

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