

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

July 2, 2019 GOV. MSG. NO. 1347

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 2, 2019, the following bill was signed into law:

SB413 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO TRESPASS. ACT 245 (19)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor
JUL 02 2019
THE SENATE
THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2019
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 245 S.B. NO. 413 C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRESPASS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the execution of
- 2 criminal trespass laws for persons who have entered or remained
- 3 unlawfully on another's commercial property has become
- 4 unnecessarily complex. Police officers enforcing the law
- 5 against a person who has previously been issued a reasonable
- 6 warning or request to leave and who subsequently violates that
- 7 warning or request have sometimes required the owner or lessee
- 8 of the commercial premises to be present and in possession of
- 9 the original copy of the prior written warning or request to
- 10 leave, before allowing a complaint to be made.
- 11 The purpose of this Act is to streamline the criteria for
- 12 showing that a prior written warning or request to leave was
- 13 made, for purposes of making a complaint for criminal trespass
- 14 in the second degree on commercial premises.
- SECTION 2. Section 708-814, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:
- "(1) A person commits the offense of criminal trespass in
- 18 the second degree if:



	or upon premises that are enclosed in a manner
	designed to exclude intruders or are fenced;
(b)	The person enters or remains unlawfully in or upon
	commercial premises after a reasonable warning or
	request to leave by the owner or lessee of the
	commercial premises, the owner's or lessee's
	authorized agent, or a police officer; provided that
	this paragraph shall not apply to any conduct or
	activity subject to regulation by the National Labor
	Relations Act.
	For the purposes of this paragraph, "reasonable
	warning or request" means a warning or request
	communicated in writing at any time within a one-year
	period inclusive of the date the incident occurred,
	which may be evidenced by a copy of the previously
	issued written warning or request, whether or not the
	copy is posted at the premises or retained by the
	(b)

county police department, and which may contain but is

not limited to the following information:

(a) The person knowingly enters or remains unlawfully in

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1	(i)	A warning statement advising the person that the
2		person's presence is no longer desired on the
3		property for a period of one year from the date
4		of the notice, that a violation of the warning
5		will subject the person to arrest and prosecution
6		for trespassing pursuant to this subsection, and
7		that criminal trespass in the second degree is a
8		petty misdemeanor;
9	(ii)	The legal name, any aliases, and a photograph, if
10	,	practicable, or a physical description, including
11		but not limited to sex, racial extraction, age,
12		height, weight, hair color, eye color, or any
13		other distinguishing characteristics of the
14		person warned;
15	(iii)	The name of the person giving the warning along
16		with the date and time the warning was given; and
17 -	(iv)	The signature of the person giving the warning,
18		the signature of a witness or police officer who
19		was present when the warning was given and, if
20		possible, the signature of the violator;

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1	(c)	The]	person enters or remains unlawfully on
2	•	agri	cultural lands without the permission of the owner
3		of t	ne land, the owner's agent, or the person in
4		lawf	ul possession of the land, and the agricultural
5		land	5 :
6		(i)	Are fenced, enclosed, or secured in a manner
7			designed to exclude intruders;
8		(ii)	Have a sign or signs displayed on the unenclosed
9			cultivated or uncultivated agricultural land
10			sufficient to give notice and reading as follows
11			"Private Property" or "Government Property - No
12			Trespassing". The sign or signs, containing
13			letters no less than two inches in height, shall
14			be placed at reasonable intervals no less than
15			three signs to a mile along the boundary line of
16			the land and at roads and trails entering the
17			land in a manner and position as to be clearly
18			noticeable from outside the boundary line; or
19	(iii)	At the time of entry, are fallow or have a
20			visible presence of livestock or a crop:
21			(A) Under cultivation;

•	(b) In the process of Sellig narvested, or
2	(C) That has been harvested;
3	(d) The person enters or remains unlawfully on unimproved
4	or unused lands without the permission of the owner of
5	the land, the owner's agent, or the person in lawful
6	possession of the land, and the lands:
7	(i) Are fenced, enclosed, or secured in a manner
8	designed to exclude the general public; or
9	(ii) Have a sign or signs displayed on the unenclosed,
10	unimproved, or unused land sufficient to give
11	reasonable notice and reads as follows: "Private
12	Property - No Trespassing", "Government Property
13	- No Trespassing", or a substantially similar
14	message; provided that the sign or signs shall
15	contain letters no less than two inches in height
16	and shall be placed at reasonable intervals no
17	less than three signs to a mile along the
18	boundary line of the land and at roads and trails
19	entering the land in a manner and position as to
20	be clearly noticeable from outside the boundary
21	line.

1		For the purposes of this paragraph, "unimproved
2		or unused lands" means any land upon which there is no
3		improvement; construction of any structure, building,
4		or facility; or alteration of the land by grading,
5		dredging, or mining that would cause a permanent
6	•	change in the land or that would change the basic
7		natural condition of the land. Land remains
8		"unimproved or unused land" under this paragraph
9		notwithstanding minor improvements, including the
10		installation or maintenance of utility poles, signage,
11		and irrigation facilities or systems; minor
12		alterations undertaken for the preservation or prudent
13		management of the unimproved or unused land, including
14		the installation or maintenance of fences, trails, or
15		pathways; maintenance activities, including forest
16		plantings and the removal of weeds, brush, rocks,
17		boulders, or trees; and the removal or securing of
18		rocks or boulders undertaken to reduce risk to
19		downslope properties; or
20	(e)	The person enters or remains unlawfully in or upon any
21		area of a housing project that is closed to the public

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pursuant to section 356D-6.7 and meets the signage
requirements of section 356D-6.7, or the person enters
or remains unlawfully in or upon any property that is
subject to section 356D-6.7 and meets the signage
requirements of section 356D-6.7 after a reasonable
warning or request to leave by the housing authority
or law enforcement officer, as defined in section 710-
1000, based upon an alleged violation of law or
administrative rule, notwithstanding any invitation or
authorization provided to the person by a tenant of
that housing project or a member of that tenant's
household.

As used in this paragraph:

"Housing authority" means a property manager, resident manager, tenant monitors, security guards, or others officially designated by the Hawaii public housing authority, for the housing project.

"Housing project" means a public housing project, or elder or elderly housing as defined in section 356D-1, or state low-income housing project as defined in section 356D-51.

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2	or request	communicated in writing at any time within
3	a one-year	r period inclusive of the date the incident
4	occurred,	which may contain but is not limited to the
5	following	information:
6	(i)	A warning statement advising the person that
7	·	for a period of one year from the date of
8	•	the notice, the person's presence is no
9		longer desired in or on the areas of the
10		subject housing project that are closed to
11		the public, that a violation of the warning
12		will subject the person to arrest and
13	,	prosecution for trespassing pursuant to this
· 14		subsection, and that criminal trespass in
15		the second degree is a petty misdemeanor;
16	(ii)	The legal name, any aliases, and a
17	·	photograph, if practicable, or a physical
18		description, including but not limited to
19		sex, racial extraction, age, height, weight,
20		hair color, eye color, or any other

1		distinguishing characteristics of the person
2		warned;
3	(iii)	The name of the person giving the warning
4		along with the date and time the warning was
5		given;
6	(iv)	The signature of the person giving the
7		warning and, if possible, the signature of
8		the violator; and
9	(v)	The name and signature of a witness or law
10		enforcement officer, as defined in section
11		710-1000, who was present when the warning
12		was given."
13	SECTION 3. Th	is Act does not affect rights and duties that
14	matured, penalties	that were incurred, and proceedings that were
15	begun before its ef	fective date.
16	SECTION 4. Ne	w statutory material is underscored.
17	SECTION 5. Th	is Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 0.2 day of JUL , 2019

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 26, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2019.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 413, HD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita Chief Clerk

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