A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SHOPPING CARTS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 711, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is		
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated		
3	and to read as follows:		
4	"§711- Prohibited use of shopping cart in or on a		
5	public roadway, sidewalk, or park. (1) A person commits the		
6	offense of prohibited use of shopping cart in or on a public		
7	roadway, sidewalk, or park if the person uses, or has in the		
8	person's possession, a shopping cart not owned by the person		
9	when:		
10	(a) Traversing a public roadway, sidewalk, or park that is		
11	under State or county jurisdiction; or		
12	(b) Being present in or on a public roadway, sidewalk, or		
13	park that is under State or county jurisdiction.		
14	(2) This section shall not apply unless:		
15	(a) The shopping cart has securely affixed to it a		
16	conspicuous sign identifying it as belonging to a		
17	business establishment; and		

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1	<u>(b)</u>	There is posted, at the place or places where the
2		shopping carts are stored for customer use, a sign or
3		signs conspicuously positioned in order to be seen by
4		an ordinarily observant person to notify customers and
5		the general public that the carts shall not be removed
6		from the premises, parking areas, sidewalks, or
7		passageways adjacent thereto.
8	(3)	The following persons shall not be subject to this
9	section:	
10	<u>(a)</u>	The owner of the shopping cart;
11	<u>(b)</u>	Any agent of the owner;
12	<u>(c)</u>	Any employee of the business establishment to which
13		the shopping cart belongs;
14	<u>(d)</u>	Any customer of the business establishment to which
15		the shopping cart belongs, provided that the customer
16		is actively using the shopping cart to transport
17		within a reasonable time and distance a purchase made
18		by the customer from the business establishment, or to
19		transport a purchase made by the customer back to the
20		business establishment; and

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1	(e) Any person possessing the written consent of the owner
2	or manager of the business establishment.
3	(4) Prohibited use of shopping cart in or on a public
4	roadway, sidewalk, or park is a petty misdemeanor."
5	SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
6	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
7	begun before its effective date.
8	SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
9	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

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Description:

Establishes the petty misdemeanor offense of prohibited use of shopping cart in or on a public roadway, sidewalk, or park.

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