A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS HOSTING PLATFORMS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. No later than January 1, 2023, each county with
- 2 a population of 200,000 or less shall establish a five-year
- 3 pilot project to regulate the operation of hosting platforms
- 4 that provide booking services for transient accommodation
- 5 operators conducting business within those counties. For the
- 6 purposes of this Act:
- 7 (1) "Booking service" means any reservation or payment
- 8 service provided by a person who facilitates a
- 9 transient accommodations transaction between a
- 10 prospective transient user and a host; and
- 11 (2) "Hosting platform" means a person who participates in
- the transient accommodations business by collecting or
- receiving a fee, directly or indirectly through an
- 14 agent or intermediary, for conducting a booking
- service transaction using any medium of facilitation.
- 16 SECTION 2. Each county with a population of 200,000 or
- 17 less shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations,

- 1 including any proposed legislation, regarding the regulation of
- 2 hosting platforms that provide booking services for transient
- 3 accommodation operators to the legislature no later than twenty
- 4 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2028.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050, and
- 6 shall repeal on June 30, 2028.

Report Title:

Transient Accommodations; Booking Services; Hosting Platforms; County Regulation; Pilot Project

Description:

Creates a five-year pilot project for counties with a population less than 200,000 to regulate the operation of hosting platforms that provide booking services for transient accommodation operators. Requires a report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/2050. Repeals on 6/30/2028. (SD1)

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