
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 183C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§183C- Kaiwa ridgeline; wireless telecommunications
5 carriers; backup power. (a) As a condition for any permit
6 under this chapter for a wireless telecommunications carrier to
7 construct, reconstruct, or alter a telecommunications facility
8 on Kaiwa ridge, the telecommunications facility shall maintain
9 emergency backup power for a minimum of eight hours.

10 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit
11 the public utilities commission's authority to regulate wireless
12 telecommunications carriers under chapter 269 or to require
13 emergency backup power of greater duration.

14 (c) For purposes of this section, "telecommunications
15 carrier" has the same meaning as in section 269-1."



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1 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
3 begun before its effective date.

4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

DLNR; Conservation District; Kaiwa Ridge; Wireless
Telecommunications Carriers; Facilities; Backup Power

Description:

Requires a wireless telecommunications carrier, as a condition for any conservation district use permit to construct, reconstruct, or alter a telecommunications facility on Kaiwa ridge, to maintain emergency backup power for a minimum of eight hours.

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