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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATED TO PUBLIC PARKS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 46, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to  
3 read as follows:

4           "§46-       Limitations. No county shall prohibit leashed  
5 dogs in public parks."

6           SECTION 2. Chapter 339, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
8 and to read as follows:

9           "§339-     Dog excrement; prohibition; penalties. (a) No  
10 person shall leave dog excrement on any public or private  
11 property or in any public or private waters, except:

12           (1) In a place designated by the department of health or  
13           the county for the disposal of garbage, dog excrement,  
14           and refuse;

15           (2) Into a litter receptable; or

16           (3) Into a bag; provided that the bag is disposed of  
17           properly into a litter receptable or in a place



1 designated by the department of health or the county  
2 for the disposal of garbage, dog excrement, and  
3 refuse.

4 (b) Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a  
5 violation, and shall be fined not less than \$100, and not more  
6 than \$500 for each offense, and ordered to pick up and remove  
7 litter from a public place under the supervision of the director  
8 as follows:

9 (1) For the first offense, the defendant shall spend four  
10 hours either picking up litter on public property or  
11 performing community service; and

12 (2) For any subsequent offense, the defendant shall spend  
13 eight hours either picking up litter on public  
14 property or performing community service.

15 (c) If the environmental court judges the violator to be  
16 incapable of litter removal and pick up, the environmental court  
17 may provide some other community work as it deems appropriate.

18 All persons in violation shall remove the excrement or shall be  
19 liable for the costs of removing the excrement."

20 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.



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

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INTRODUCED BY:

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# S.B. NO. 2565

**Report Title:**

Dogs; Counties; Public Parks; Littering; Fines

**Description:**

Prohibits counties from prohibiting leashed dogs in public parks. Establishes penalties for leaving dog excrement on public or private property.

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