

A Bill for an Act Relating to Intoxicating Liquor.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 281-57, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“§281-57 [Notice.] **Preliminary hearing; notice of public hearing.** (a) Upon the filing of the investigator’s report upon any application the liquor commission may hold a preliminary hearing and upon such preliminary hearing it may deny the application.

(b) If no preliminary hearing is had or if the application is not denied upon a preliminary hearing, the commission shall fix a day for the public hearing of the application (other than an application for an alcohol license or a license in classes 7 to 10 and 13) and shall publish notice of the hearing at least once in each of two consecutive weeks (two insertions) in some newspaper published in the English language in the county (or if there be none such then in the city and county of Honolulu) having a general circulation in the county, the date of the hearing to be not less than forty-five days after the first publication. The notice shall require that all protests or objections against the issuance of the license applied for shall be filed with the administrator of the commission at or before the time of hearing. Before making such publication the commission shall collect from the applicant the cost of making the publication or require a deposit to cover the same.

(c) Immediately upon the commission’s fixing a day for the public hearing of the application, the applicant shall mail a notice setting forth the time and place of the hearing on the application[,] to each of the following:

- (1) [not] Not less than two-thirds of the owners and lessees of record of real estate and owners of record of shares in a cooperative apartment or to those individuals on the list of owners as provided by the managing agent or governing body of the shareholders association situated within a distance of five hundred feet from the nearest point of the premises for which the license is asked to the nearest point of such real estate or cooperative apartment[, not less than forty-five days prior to the date set for the hearing of the application; provided that before the hearing the applicant shall file with the commission an affidavit as to such mailing of notice; and]; provided [further] that in meeting this requirement, the applicant shall mail a notice to not less than three-fourths of the owners and lessees of record of real estate and owners of record of shares in a cooperative apartment situated within a distance of one hundred feet from the nearest point of the premises [as provided in this section.] for which the license is asked. Notice by mail may be addressed to the last known address of the person concerned or to the address as shown in the last tax return filed by the person or the person’s agent or representative[. In addition, for];
- (2) In counties with a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more, not less than two-thirds of the registered voters residing within, and small businesses situated within, a distance of five hundred feet from the nearest point of the premises for which the license is asked; provided that in meeting this requirement, the applicant shall mail notices to not less than three-fourths of the registered voters residing

within, and small businesses situated within, a distance of one hundred feet from the nearest point of the premises for which the license is asked. This paragraph shall not apply to any applicant that is a hotel as defined in section 486K-1, a restaurant, or a convenience store. A notice sent pursuant to this paragraph shall be addressed to the "occupant" of the residential unit or small business; and

- (3) For each condominium project and cooperative apartment within the [affected] five hundred foot area, one notice of the hearing shall be sent by mail addressed "To the Residents, Care of the Manager", followed by the name and address of the condominium or cooperative apartment involved.

The notices required under this subsection shall be mailed at least forty-five days prior to the date set for the hearing. Before the hearing, the applicant shall file with the commission an affidavit that the notices have been mailed in compliance with this subsection. The commission shall cancel the hearing if not receiving the affidavit prior to the hearing or if discovering that the affidavit is false.¹

(d) For purposes of this section, notice to one co-owner and one co-lessee of real estate shall be sufficient notice to all co-owners and all co-lessees[, excepting] of that real estate; except that one notice shall be sent to each individual unit of a cooperative apartment as provided in this section."

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

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved June 22, 1994.)

Note

1. Should be underscored.