

**SUMMARY OF PROPOSED COMMITTEE DRAFT:**  
**BILL 6 (2023)**  
**RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL SELF-CERTIFICATION.**

**THE PROPOSED CD1** makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends SECTION 3 to provide for the rulemaking authority of the DPP to be codified in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu as Section 18-2.\_\_\_\_, rather than in an uncoded provision.
- B. Reorders the content of SECTION 2 and SECTION 3 to reflect the order of the ROH sections amended thereby.
- C. In SECTION 5 of the bill, adds that the ROH amendments made in renumbered SECTION 3 of the bill (the self-certification provisions) will be repealed seven years after the bill takes effect as an ordinance.
- D. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.



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## A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

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BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this ordinance is to help alleviate the backlog of building permit applications and reviews by giving the building official the authority to allow other outside means of building permit application review for compliance with pertinent codes.

SECTION 2. Chapter 18, Article 2, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("General Provisions"), is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated by the Revisor of Ordinances and to read as follows:

**"§ 18-2. Rules.**

The director may adopt rules pursuant to HRS Chapter 91 for the implementation, administration, and enforcement of this chapter."

SECTION 3. Section 18-5.1, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("Issuance—Posting—Transfer"), is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) The building official shall review the application, plans, specifications, computations, and other data filed by an applicant for a permit [shall be reviewed by the building official.] , or cause the same to be reviewed by a qualified third-party reviewer or professional authorized to self-certify that the plans, specifications, computations, and other data are correct, accurate, and in compliance with all applicable laws. The building official [shall] may also cause [such] the plans, specifications, computations, and other data to be reviewed by [any] other [appropriate department of the city and the State to review] governmental entities to determine compliance with laws [and ordinances] under their [jurisdiction.] respective jurisdictions. If the building official is satisfied that the work described in [an application for permit and the plans filed therewith conform to the requirements of this code and other] the plans, specifications, computations, and other data comply with all pertinent laws and ordinances[,] and the fee specified in § 18-6.1 has been paid, the building official shall issue a permit therefor to the applicant; provided that no permit [shall] may be granted for the moving of any building or structure or portion thereof that has deteriorated or been damaged to an extent greater than 50 percent of the cost of replacement (new) of such building or structure."



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SECTION 4. Ordinance material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New material is underscored. When revising, compiling, or printing this ordinance for inclusion in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the Revisor of Ordinances need not include the brackets, the material that has been bracketed and stricken, or the underscoring.



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SECTION 5. This ordinance takes effect upon its approval; provided that the amendments to the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 made in SECTION 3 of this ordinance are repealed seven years after the effective date of this ordinance.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

February 16, 2023  
Honolulu, Hawai'i

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Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

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RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor  
City and County of Honolulu