



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

ORDINANCE _____

BILL 12(2025)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO GAMBLING.

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

SECTION 1. Purpose and findings. The purpose of this ordinance is to address public nuisances relating to gambling activities throughout the City and County of Honolulu.

The City Council ("Council") finds that illegal gambling establishments attract other criminal elements and activities, such as violent crime and the distribution of illegal drugs. These activities undermine the peace, safety, and security of neighborhoods and drive out legitimate businesses. The Council further finds that buildings and structures that promote such unsafe conditions affect the surrounding areas and threaten the health, safety, and welfare of the public by creating unsafe public nuisances, which requires interagency cooperation to effectively combat.

SECTION 2. Chapter 41, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("Public Health and Safety"), is amended by adding a new article to be appropriately designated by the Revisor of Ordinances and to read as follows:

"ARTICLE __: GAMBLING-RELATED PUBLIC NUISANCES

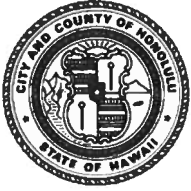
§ 41-___.1 Definitions.

For purposes of this article, the following definitions apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

Chief of Police. The chief of police of the city or the chief's authorized subordinates.

Director. The director of planning and permitting or the director's authorized subordinates.

Gambling-Related Public Nuisance. A public nuisance as defined under HRS Chapter 712, Part V, that involves activities related to gambling offenses prohibited under HRS Chapter 712, Part III.



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§ 41-__2 Interagency cooperation.

- (a) The director and the chief of police shall cooperate in the provision of notices, referrals, and assistance to ensure code enforcement of gambling-related public nuisances.
- (b) The director and the chief of police are authorized to adopt rules pursuant to HRS Chapter 91 or enter into a memorandum of agreement between the department of planning and permitting and the Honolulu police department for the purposes of implementing this section."



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SECTION 3. This ordinance takes effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Alan Desjardins

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

JAN 29 2025
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 20 ____.

RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

Report Title:

Gambling; Nuisance Abatement; Public Health and Safety; Interagency Cooperation; Department of Planning and Permitting ("DPP"); Honolulu Police Department ("HPD"); HRS Chapter 91; Rulemaking Authority

Description:

Requires cooperation between the Director of Planning and Permitting and Honolulu Chief of Police to ensure code enforcement of gambling-related public nuisances. Provides the DPP and the HPD with rulemaking authority.

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