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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOVIE THEATERS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 489-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) A public accommodation that owns, leases, leases to,  
4 or operates a motion picture theater in more than two locations  
5 in the State shall provide [+

6 ~~(1) Open~~ open movie captioning during at least [~~one~~  
7 ~~showing~~] two showings per week of each motion picture  
8 that is produced and offered with open movie  
9 captioning [~~+~~ ~~or~~

10 ~~(2) A personal closed captioning system by means of~~  
11 ~~lightweight eyewear for a motion picture that is~~  
12 ~~produced and offered with closed captioning content]."~~

13 SECTION 2. Act 39, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, as amended  
14 by section 2 of Act 211, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, is amended  
15 by amending section 3 to read as follows:

16 "SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2016  
17 [~~+~~ ~~and shall be repealed on January 1, 2020)]."~~



1           SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3           SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.



**Report Title:**

Motion Picture Theaters; Accommodations; Open Captioning

**Description:**

Requires a movie theater to provide at least two showings per week per movie offered with open movie captioning. Removes the option for a movie theater to provide eyewear to fulfill the open movie captioning requirement. Makes the open captioning requirement permanent by repealing the sunset date of Act 39, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015. (SD1)

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