

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

ORDINANCE 24-31

BILL 41 (2024), CD1

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SPAY AND NEUTER CLINIC FOR DOGS AND CATS.

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

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to address the administration of the public spay and neuter clinic for dogs and cats.

SECTION 2. Section 12-5.1, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 12-5.1 Authority for clinic and fees.

[(a)] The city is authorized and empowered to establish a clinic, through a fee-for-service contract, at which members of the public may have dogs and cats spayed or neutered in a humane manner. ~~[Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), members of the public shall pay either the following fees or the cost to the city under the fee-for-service contract for services performed, whichever is less:~~

~~(1) For spaying a female dog: \$150;~~

~~(2) For spaying a female cat: \$50;~~

~~(3) For neutering a male dog: \$125; and~~

~~(4) For neutering a male cat: \$40.~~

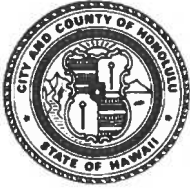
~~(b) A member of the public who has been issued an EBT card shall pay a fee of \$20 for the spaying of a female dog or cat or the neutering of a male dog or cat.~~

~~For the purposes of this subsection, an "EBT card" means a card issued by the State department of human services that will allow the holder to access social service benefits in an electronic benefits transfer account.~~

~~(c) In addition to the fees established in subsections (a) and (b), a veterinarian may charge additional fees for spaying or neutering the following types of animals:~~

~~(1) Cats or dogs older than three years of age; and~~

~~(2) Dogs weighing over 45 pounds.~~



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~~The veterinarian shall inform the animal owner of any additional charges before accepting an animal for spay or neuter surgery.~~

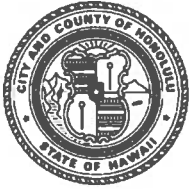
- ~~(d) The veterinarian shall conduct an examination before spay or neuter surgery to determine that the animal is healthy and medically fit to undergo surgery. The veterinarian's decision regarding the animal's fitness for surgery shall be final.]~~

SECTION 3. Chapter 12, Article 5, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("Public Spay and Neuter Clinic for Dogs and Cats"), is amended by adding a new Section 12-5.2 to read as follows:

"§ 12-5.2 Administrative rules.

The director of customer services shall adopt administrative rules pursuant to HRS Chapter 91 for the purposes of implementing, administering, and enforcing this article, including but not limited to setting the fees for spay and neuter services."

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 on July 1, 2025; provided that Section 12-5.1, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("ROH"), as it read on the day prior to the effective date of this ordinance, shall remain in effect until such time that the Director of Customer Services has adopted rules pursuant to ROH Section 12-5.2, and such rules have taken effect.

INTRODUCED BY:

Andria Tupola

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

July 29, 2024
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Duane W.H. Pang
Deputy Corporation Counsel
DUANE W.H. PANG

APPROVED this 25th day of October, 2024.

Rick Blangiardi
RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

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HONOLULU, HAWAII
CERTIFICATE

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Introduced: 07/29/24 By: ANDRIA TUPOLA

Committee: HOUSING, SUSTAINABILITY AND
HEALTH (HSH)

Title: RELATING TO THE PUBLIC SPAY AND NEUTER CLINIC FOR DOGS AND CATS.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

07/29/24	INTRO	Introduced.
08/07/24	CCL	Passed first reading. 9 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER
08/21/24	HSH	Reported out for passage on second reading and scheduling of a public hearing. CR-265 4 AYES: KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WEYER 1 ABSENT: DOS SANTOS-TAM
08/23/24	PUBLISH	Public hearing notice published in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.
09/04/24	CCL/PH	Committee report adopted. Bill passed second reading, public hearing closed and referred to committee. 8 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER 1 ABSENT: SAY
09/12/24	PUBLISH	Second reading notice published in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.
09/25/24	HSH	Reported out for passage on third reading as amended in CD1 form. CR-303 5 AYES: DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, TULBA, WEYER
10/09/24	CCL	Committee report adopted and Bill passed third reading as amended. 9 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this BILL.



GLEN I. TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK



TOMMY WATERS, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER