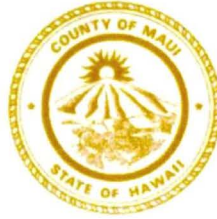


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*Richard Bissen* 6-3-25  
Date

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Tamara Paltin, Chair  
Disaster, Resilience, International Affairs and Planning Committee  
200 South High Street  
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via: drip.committee@mauicounty.us

Dear Chair Paltin:

**SUBJECT: BILL 104 (2024), AMENDING CHAPTERS 19.04, 19.08, AND 19.29, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO KITCHENS, KITCHENETTES, AND WET BARS; AND SECTION 19.36B.020, MAUI COUNTY CODE, TO ADD PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR DWELLING UNITS WITH KITCHENETTES (DRIP-3)**

Thank you for your May 27, 2025 letter requesting information pertaining to Bill 104. The following identifies your request followed by the Planning Department's (Department) response:

1. *Would the Department support an amendment to increase the refrigerator size to a maximum of 17.6 cubic feet to allow for increased food storage within kitchenettes only?*

Yes, the Department supports this change. The Department initially recommended a maximum size refrigerator of 7.5 cubic feet to match the maximum size of a refrigerator for a wet bar. However, recognizing that a refrigerator for a kitchenette should be larger than that of a wet bar, an increase to 17.6 cubic feet makes sense. Additionally, a 17.6 cubic foot refrigerator is still smaller than a standard refrigerator and therefore achieves the same purpose.

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2. ***The Committee amended Bill 104 to reduce the number of permitted wet bars from two to one in the Residential and Rural Districts on Maui and Lāna‘i. As there may be property owners who have submitted permit applications for dwelling units containing more than one wet bar, should Bill 104 be amended to allow for those permit applications to be processed if it was submitted before Bill 104’s effective date?***

Yes, the Department supports amending the ordinance to allow those applicants who have submitted permit applications prior to the effective date of the ordinance to continue processing their application for more than one wet bar.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this information. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



KATE L. K. BLYSTONE  
Director

cc: Ana Lillis, Deputy Director (pdf)  
Jordan Hart, Office of Recovery (pdf)  
Gregory Pfost, Administrative Planning Officer (pdf)

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