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INTERPRETIVE OPINION

Pursuant to §103-50, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), all public buildings, facilities and sites constructed by, or on behalf of the State or any county, shall conform to the Fair Housing Accessibility Guidelines (FHAG). In accordance to HRS §103-50 and Chapter 11-216, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Disability and Communication Access Board has authority to issue interpretive opinions to HRS §103-50 design standards.

Docket: **DCAB IO-2011-21 Can one of the following, CABO/ANSI A117.1 (1992), ICC/ANSI A117.1 (1998), or ICC/ANSI A11.1 (2003) be used in lieu of ANSI A117.1 (1986) where referenced in the Fair Housing Accessibility Guidelines**

Summary: The Fair Housing Accessibility Guidelines under Section 5 Guidelines, Requirement #2, requires that public and common use areas be usable and accessible. The guidelines specifically reference ANSI A117.1, 1986 Edition for the “Basic Components For Accessibility and Usable Public and Common Use Areas or Facilities”. The 1986 Edition is no longer in publication.

The Fair Housing Amendments Act as published in Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations Part 100, Subpart D and HUD, recognizes CABO/ANSI A117.1 (1992), ICC/ANSI A117.1 (1998), and ICC/ANSI A11.1 (2003) in addition to ANSI A117.1-1986. It specifically states that public and common use areas required to be “readily accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities” when complying with one of the above noted guidelines are deemed accessible.

Ruling: For buildings or facilities subject to HRS §103-50,

FHAG Section 5, Requirement 2

One of the following guidelines CABO/ANSI A117.1 (1992), ICC/ANSI A117.1 (1998), or ICC/ANSI A117.1 (2003) may be used in lieu of the ANSI A117.1 (1986) where referenced in the Fair Housing Act Accessibility Guidelines

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this ruling, please call us at 586-8121.

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