## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The community rating system of the National
- 2 Flood Insurance Program, administered by the Federal Emergency
- 3 Management Agency, is a voluntary incentive program. The goals
- 4 of the community rating system are to reduce flood losses,
- 5 facilitate accurate insurance rating, and promote awareness of
- 6 flood insurance. Participation in the community rating system
- 7 may result in discounts in flood insurance premiums of up to
- 8 forty-five per cent; presently however, only the county of Maui
- ${f 9}$  is participating in the system.
- 10 The purpose of this Act is to require each of the counties
- 11 to participate in the community rating system.
- 12 SECTION 2. Chapter 46, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 13 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
- 14 read as follows:
- 15 "S46- Flood insurance program. Each county shall adopt
- 16 an ordinance designating a county official to be a full-time
- 17 coordinator to work with the National Flood Insurance Program in
- 18 its community rating system. The designated county official



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- 1 shall submit necessary documentation to participate in the
- 2 system and ensure that the county is in full compliance with the
- 3 rules and regulations of the National Flood Insurance Program."
- 4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

HB NO. 2689

## Report Title:

Insurance; National Flood Insurance Program

## Description:

Requires each county to adopt ordinance to participate in the Community Rating System of the National Flood Insurance Program.

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