JAN 2 5 2006 S.B. NO. 2584

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COUNTIES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 46-72, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- amended to read as follows: 2
- "§46-72 Liability for damages; notice of injuries. Before 3
- the county shall be liable for damages to any person for 4
- injuries to person or property received upon any of the streets, 5
- avenues, alleys, sidewalks, or other public places of the 6
- county, or on account of any negligence of any official or 7
- employee of the county, the person so injured, or the owner or 8
- 9 person entitled to the possession, occupation, or use of the
- property so injured, or someone in the person's behalf, [shall,] 10
- within [six months] two years after the injuries are received, 11
- shall give the chairperson of the council of the county or the 12
- city clerk of Honolulu notice in writing of the injuries and the 13
- specific damages resulting, stating fully in the notice when, 14
- 15 where, and how the injuries occurred, the extent thereof, and
- the amount claimed therefor." 16

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- 1 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 3 begun, before its effective date.
- 4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

Report Title:

Counties; Liability

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Description:

Extends statute of limitations for actions against a county for damage or injury from 6 months to 2 years.