A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LIABILITY FOR COQUI FROG ERADICATION EFFORTS.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 141, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated 2 and to read as follows: 3 "§141- Limited immunity; coqui frog eradication; 4 volunteers. (a) No governmental agency or private entity shall 5 be liable for any injury or damage sustained by an unpaid 6 volunteer in connection with a coqui frog eradication program or 7 project, except for injury or damage resulting from the gross 8 9 negligence or wanton acts or omissions of the government agency 10 or private entity. (b) For purposes of this section: 11 "Agency" means a department, agency, board, commission, 12 council, task force, committee, or other political subdivision 13 of a county or the State that administers, manages, or otherwise 14 engages in coqui frog eradication programs or projects. 15 "Entity" means an individual, company, corporation, 16 **17** partnership, community group, or other legal entity that

administers, manages, or otherwise engages in invasive species

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- 1 control and eradication programs or projects, including coqui
- 2 frog eradication."
- 3 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Limited Immunity from Liability; Coqui Frog Eradication

Description:

Provides limited immunity from liability to governmental agencies and to private entities engaged in coqui frog eradication efforts for injuries sustained by volunteers.