A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that various companies
- 2 are arbitrarily exhausting an employee's accrued vacation time
- 3 while the employee is out on family leave, as current law allows
- 4 either the employer or employee to decide which type of leave to
- 5 apply to a period of family leave. The legislature further
- 6 finds that only the employee should make the decision to take
- 7 family leave as unpaid leave, or to substitute the unpaid leave
- 8 with accrued vacation, personal, or paid family leave.
- 9 The purpose of this Act is to provide an employee, not an
- 10 employer, the option to substitute accrued paid leave, including
- 11 vacation, personal, or family leave, for any part of the four-
- 12 week period allowed for family leave.
- 13 SECTION 2. Section 398-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 14 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
- "(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c), an
- 16 employee [or employer] may elect to substitute any of the
- 17 employee's accrued paid leaves, including but not limited to



- 1 vacation, personal, or family leave for any part of the four-
- week period in subsection (a)."
- 3 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 4 and stricken.
- 5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Family Leave; Accrued Paid Leave

Description:

Requires that only an employee can elect to use accrued paid leave, including vacation, personal, or family leave, for any part of the four-week period of family leave provided under the law. (SB1833 CD1)