A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.

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

| 1 | SECT | TON 1. Section 523A-24, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is | |
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| 2 | amended b | y amending subsection (a) to read as follows: | |
| 3 | " (a) | A person, excluding another state, claiming an | |
| 4 | interest | in any property paid or delivered to the director may | |
| 5 | file with | the director a claim on a form prescribed by the | |
| 6 | director and verified by the claimant. If a claimant is unable | | |
| 7 | to present requested documentation of ownership to the director | | |
| 8 | then the claimant may assert ownership through a notarized | | |
| 9 | affidavit signed under penalty of perjury, punishable under | | |
| 10 | section 710-1060, and verifying that the following information | | |
| 11 | <u>is true:</u> | | |
| 12 | (1) | The claimant's residence was previously the address | |
| 13 | | associated, if applicable, with the unclaimed | |
| 14 | | property; | |
| 15 | (2) | The claimant is the intended recipient of the | |
| 16 | | unclaimed property; and | |

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| 1 | (3) In the case of an uncashed check, the clair | <u>mant</u> |
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| 2 | maintained a business relationship with the | e check's |
| 3 | issuer at or near the time of issue; | |
| 4 | provided that no person may assert ownership solely | chrough an |
| 5 | affidavit under this subsection over unclaimed proper | cty with a |
| 6 | fair market value over \$. The claimant's s | signature |
| 7 | shall appear at the bottom of the affidavit. This su | ubsection |
| 8 | shall not affect any other requirements for claiming | unclaimed |
| 9 | property under this chapter." | |
| 10 | SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscore | ed. |
| 11 | SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 3 | 1, 2008. |

Report Title:

Unclaimed Property; Affidavit of Ownership

Description:

Allows individuals attempting to claim certain unclaimed property from the State to assert ownership through a notarized affidavit signed under penalty of perjury. (SD1)