

JAN 18 2008

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HARASSMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 711-1106, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

3 "(1) A person commits the offense of harassment if, with
4 intent to harass, annoy, or alarm any other person, that person:

5 (a) Strikes, shoves, kicks, or otherwise touches another
6 person in an offensive manner or subjects the other
7 person to offensive physical contact;

8 (b) Insults, taunts, or challenges another person in a
9 manner likely to provoke an immediate violent response
10 or that would cause the other person to reasonably
11 believe that the actor intends to cause bodily injury
12 to the recipient or another or damage to the property
13 of the recipient or another;

14 (c) Repeatedly makes telephone calls, facsimile, [~~or~~]
15 electronic mail transmissions, or any other computer
16 communication without purpose of legitimate
17 communication;



- 1 (d) Repeatedly makes a communication anonymously or at an
- 2 extremely inconvenient hour;
- 3 (e) Repeatedly makes communications, after being advised
- 4 by the person to whom the communication is directed
- 5 that further communication is unwelcome; or
- 6 (f) Makes a communication using offensively coarse
- 7 language that would cause the recipient to reasonably
- 8 believe that the actor intends to cause bodily injury
- 9 to the recipient or another or damage to the property
- 10 of the recipient or another."

11 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
 12 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
 13 begun, before its effective date.

14 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Harassment

Description:

Provides that harassment includes all computer communications.

