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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 663-1.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

3 "(e) Any person who in good faith, without remuneration or expectation of remuneration, attempts to resuscitate a person in 4 5 immediate danger of loss of life when administering any automated external defibrillator, regardless of where the 6 automated external defibrillator that is used is located, shall 7 not be liable for any civil damages resulting from any act or 8 9 omission except as may result from the person's gross negligence or wanton acts or omissions. 10

11 Any person, including an employer, who provides for an automated external defibrillator or an automated external 12 defibrillator training program shall not be vicariously liable 13 for any civil damages resulting from any act or omission of the 14 15 persons or employees who, in good faith and without remuneration or the expectation of remuneration, attempt to resuscitate a 16 person in immediate danger of loss of life by administering an 17 automated external defibrillator, except as may result from a 18 HB1537 HD1 HMS 2009-2499

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1 person's or employer's gross negligence or wanton acts or

2 omissions."

- 3 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Automated External Defibrillator Training; Immunity from Civil Liability

Description:

Specifies that any person who provides for an automated external defibrillator training program is generally immune from vicarious civil liability resulting from any act or omission of a Good Samaritan attempting to use the device to resuscitate a person. (HB1537 HD1)

