A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 481-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended t	o read as follows:
3	"§48	1-6 When sale at less than cost permitted. Sections
4	481-3 to	481-5 shall not apply to any sale made:
5	(1)	In closing out in good faith the owner's stock or any
6		part thereof for the purpose of discontinuing the
7		owner's trade in any such stock or commodity, and in
8		the case of the sale of seasonal goods, or to the bona
9		fide sale of perishable goods to prevent loss to the
10		vendor by spoilage or depreciation, provided notice is
11		given to the public thereof;
12	(2)	When the goods are damaged or deteriorated in quality,
13		and notice is given to the public thereof;
14	(3)	By an officer acting under the orders of any court;
15	(4)	In an endeavor made in good faith to meet the lawful
16		prices of a competitor, as herein defined, selling the
17		same article or product, or service or output of a
18		service trade, in the same locality or trade area;

1	(5) By the government or any agency thereof, of the United		
2	States, the State, or any county, or by post exchanges		
3	or ships' service stores operating under and in		
4	accordance with United States army or naval		
5	regulations[-]; or		
6	(6) Of generic prescription drugs.		
7	In case of any sale at less than cost which does not fall		
8	within (1) to $[\frac{(5)}{(6)}]$ of this section, the burden of proof		
9	shall be on the defendant to show that the sale was not made for		
10	the purpose of injuring competitors and destroying competition		
11	within the meaning of this part.		
12	Any person, firm, or corporation who performs work upon,		
13	renovates, alters, or improves any personal property belonging		
14	to another person, firm, or corporation, shall be construed to		
15	be a vendor within the meaning of this part."		
16	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed		
17	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.		
18	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.		
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Report Title:

Prescription Drugs; Sale Below Cost

Description:

Authorizes the sale of generic prescription drugs at below cost by licensed dealers, provided that it is not done with the intent to destroy competition.