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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 194-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

4 "(a) Whenever any invasive species identified by the
5 council for control or eradication is found on private property,
6 a department or the owner of the adjoining property may enter
7 such premises to control or eradicate the invasive species after
8 reasonable notice is given to the owner of the property and, if
9 entry is refused, pursuant to the court order in subsection
10 (d)."

11 2. By amending subsection (d) to read:

12 If the owner thus notified fails to comply with the "(d) 13 order of the department, or its agent, within the time specified 14 by the department, or if entry is refused after notice is given 15 pursuant to subsection (a) and, if applicable subsection (b), **16**[°] the department or its agent, or the owner of the adjoining 17 property, as the case may be, may apply to the district court of 18 the circuit in which the property is situated for a warrant, HB LRB 10-0592-1.doc

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1 directed to any police officer of the circuit, commanding the 2 police officer to take sufficient aid and to assist the 3 department member or its agent in gaining entry onto the 4 premises, and executing measures to control or eradicate the 5 invasive species."

6 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
7 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
8 begun before its effective date.

9 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title: Invasive Species; Removal

Description: Authorizes owners of adjoining property to enter private property to remove invasive species.

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