H.B. NO. 622

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HARASSMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 711-1106.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (3) to read as follows: 3 "(3) For purposes of this section, "nonconsensual contact" means any contact that occurs without that individual's consent 4 5 or in disregard of that person's express desire that the contact be avoided or discontinued. Nonconsensual contact includes 6 7 direct personal visual or oral contact and contact via 8 telephone, facsimile, or any form of digital communication, 9 including but not limited to electronic mail transmission." 10 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that 11 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were 12 begun, before its effective date. 13 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored. 14 This Act shall take effect upon its approval. SECTION 4. 15 **Y**|**1**. INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title: Harassment by Stalking; Digital Communication

Description:

Adds digital communication as a form of nonconsensual contact in the offense of harassment by stalking.

