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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE OF HAWAII.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 612-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "§612-7 Excused when[7]; for cause. A prospective juror
- 4 in state court, shall not be excused by a court for a slight or
- 5 trivial cause, but only when it appears that jury duty would
- 6 entail a serious personal hardship[7] or [that] for other good
- 7 cause, in which case, the prospective juror [should] may be
- 8 excused either temporarily or otherwise."
- 9 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

on request

## Report Title:

State of Hawaii; Jurors

## Description:

Clarifies the law with respect to excusing prospective jurors from jury duty.

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