HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII H.B. NO. 12

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PLANT THEFT.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 708, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
amended by adding a new section to part IV to be appropriately
designated and to read as follows:
" <u>§708-</u> Theft; agricultural product; sentencing. (1)
Whenever a person is sentenced under sections 708-830.5, 708-
831, 708-832, or 708-833, for an offense involving theft of an
agricultural product or commodity, in addition to any penalty
prescribed by those sections, the person shall be required to
make payment to the property owner for:
(a) The value of the stolen agricultural product or
commodity, pursuant to section 706-646; and
(b) The cost of replanting the agricultural product or
commodity.
(2) For purposes of this section, "agricultural product or
commodity" includes floricultural, horticultural, viticultural,
aquacultural, forestry, shrubbery, nut, coffee, seed, and farm
or plantation products or commodities, whether for personal or
commercial use."
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SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
begun before its effective date.

4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title: Sentencing; Theft of Agricultural Products or Commodities

Description:

Requires a person who steals agricultural products or commodities to pay the property owner the value of the stolen product and the cost of replanting.

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