A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GRAFFITI.

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

| 1 | SECT | ION 1. Section 708-823.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
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| 2 | amended to | o read as follows: |
| 3 | " [+] | §708-823.6[] Graffiti; sentencing. (1) Whenever a |
| 4 | person is | sentenced under section 708-821, 708-822, 708-823, or |
| 5 | 708-823.5 | , for an offense in which the damage is caused by |
| 6 | graffiti, | in addition to any penalty prescribed by those |
| 7 | sections, | the person shall be required to: |
| 8 | (a) | Remove the graffiti from the damaged property within |
| 9 | | thirty days of sentencing, if it has not already been |
| 10 | | removed and where consent from the respective property |
| 11 | | owner or owners has been obtained; and |
| 12 | (b) | For a period of time not to exceed two years from the |
| 13 | | date of sentencing, along with any other person or |
| 14 | | persons who may be sentenced under this section for |
| 15 | | the same property, perform community service removing, |
| 16 | | within fourteen days, any graffiti applied to other |
| 17 | | property within [one hundred] yards of the |
| 18 | | site of the offense for which the person was |

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| 1 | sentenced, where consent from the respective property |
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| 2 | owner or owners has been obtained, even if the |
| 3 | property was damaged by another person[-]; |
| 4 | provided that removal of graffiti shall not place the person or |
| 5 | others in physical danger nor inconvenience the public. |
| 6 | (2) For purposes of this section, "graffiti" means any |
| 7 | unauthorized drawing, inscription, figure, or mark of any type |
| 8 | intentionally created by paint, ink, chalk, dye, or similar |
| 9 | substances." |
| 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. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed |
| 14 | and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. |
| 15 | SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. |
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Report Title:

Graffiti; Sentencing

Description:

Limits the imposition of the penalty of removal of graffiti to cases where the removal would not endanger people or inconvenience the public. Increases the area within which a graffiti removal penalty may be selected, from one hundred to yards from the offense site.

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