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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Chapter 707, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended b	y adding a new section to be appropriately designa	ted
3	and to re	ad as follows:	
4	" <u>\$70</u>	7- Assault against a water safety officer. (1)	A
5	person co	mmits the offense of assault against a water safet	У
6	officer i	f the person:	
7	(a)	Intentionally or knowingly causes bodily injury t	o a
8		water safety officer who is engaged in the perfor	mance
9		of duty; or	
10	<u>(b)</u>	Recklessly causes, with a dangerous instrument, b	odily
11		injury to a water safety officer who is engaged i	n the
12		performance of duty.	
13	(2)	Assault against a water safety officer is a class	C
14	felony.		
15	(3)	For purposes of this section, "water safety offic	er"
16	means an	employee of any county of the State whose principa	.1
17	duty is t	o stand guard over the beaches of the State and	
18	counties	to ensure the safety of individuals thereon."	



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- 1 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 3 begun before its effective date.
- 4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

INTRODUCED BY:

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## Report Title:

Water Safety Officer; Assault

## Description:

Makes it a class C felony to assault a water safety officer who is engaged in the performance of duty.

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