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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
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June 15, 2012

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Calvin Say, Speaker and Members of the House Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui, Speaker Say and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 15, 2012, the following bill was signed into law:

HB2296 HD1 SD1

RELATING TO ANIMAL WELFARE. Act 126 (12)

NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawaii

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2012 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ANIMAL WELFARE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 159-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending the definition of "exotic animal" to read as
- 3 follows:
- 4 ""Exotic animal" means any cloven-hoofed ruminant animal
- 5 considered feral in nature, other than domestic cattle, sheep,
- 6 goats, or equines. For the purposes of this chapter, bears and
- 7 domestic rabbits shall be considered exotic animals."
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 159-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- "[+]§159-34[+] Prohibitions. (a) The preparation, sale,
- 11 offering for sale, or transportation or receipt for
- 12 transportation in intrastate commerce of meat and meat products
- 13 derived from exotic animals, unless inspected and passed as
- 14 provided for under this part, is prohibited. Violators shall be
- 15 subject to all requirements and penalties of this chapter.
- 16 (b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, no
- 17 person shall buy, sell, transport, deliver, offer for sale or
- 18 transportation, or receive for transportation in commerce, any

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- 1 bear gallbladders or bile, or any product, item, or substance
- 2 containing, labeled, or advertised as containing bear
- 3 gallbladders or bile. The possession of any bear gallbladders
- 4 or bile, or any product, item, or substance containing, labeled,
- 5 or advertised as containing bear gallbladders or bile is prima
- 6 facie evidence of a violation of this subsection. The
- 7 exemptions set forth in section 159-29 shall not apply to
- 8 violations of this subsection."
- 9 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 10 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 11 begun before its effective date.
- 12 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 15 day of JUN , 2012

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII