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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE.

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

SECTION 1. Section 478-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 2 amended to read as follows: 3 "§478-2 Legal rate; computation. When there is no express 4 written contract fixing a different rate of interest, interest 5 shall be allowed at the rate of ten per cent a year, except that, with respect to obligations of the State, interest shall 6 7 be allowed at the prime rate for each calendar quarter but in no 8 event shall exceed ten per cent a year, as follows: For money due on any bond, bill, promissory note, or 9 (1) other instrument of writing, or for money lent, after 10 it becomes due; 11 12 (2) For money due on the settlement of accounts, from the day on which the balance is ascertained; 13 For money received to the use of another, from the 14 (3) 15 date of a demand made; [and] For money upon an open account, after sixty days from 16 (4)17 the date of the last item or transaction[-]; and

1	(5) For money due on any settlement of claims against the
2	State, its officers, or its employees, including
3	claims for legislative relief.
4	As used in this section, "prime rate" means the prime rate
5	as posted in the Wall Street Journal on the first business day
6	of the month preceding the calendar quarter."
7	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
9	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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	INTRODUCED BY:

# S.B. NO. 2448

#### Report Title:

Interest; Claims Against the State; Legal Settlements

### Description:

Allows interest to be collected on unfunded settlements against the State, its officers, or its employees.

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