A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ANIMALS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 663, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "§663- Exemption for providing shelter and subsistence
- 5 to animals in need. (a) Any charitable or nonprofit
- 6 organization that in good faith provides shelter or proper means
- 7 of subsistence to any animal in need of aid as part of its bona
- 8 fide and customary charitable activities, rendered without
- 9 remuneration or expectation of remuneration, shall be exempt
- 10 from civil liability for injuries and damages resulting from the
- 11 organization's acts or omissions in providing that shelter or
- 12 subsistence, except for gross negligence or wanton acts or
- 13 omissions of the organization.
- (b) Any person who donates goods, food, materials, or
- 15 services to a charitable or nonprofit organization described in
- 16 subsection (a) shall be exempt from civil liability for injuries
- 17 and damages resulting from the donation, except for gross
- 18 negligence or wanton acts or omissions."

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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 upon its approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Animals; Shelter; Tort Liability Exemption; Charitable and Nonprofit Organizations

Description:

Exempts charitable and nonprofit organizations from liability for providing shelter and subsistence to animals.

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