A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PRISON LITIGATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 661, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "S661- Exhaustion of administrative remedies; action by
- 5 prisoners, when limited. (a) No action shall be brought in any
- 6 state court with respect to prison conditions, under any state
- 7 or federal law, by a prisoner confined in any jail, prison, or
- 8 other correctional facility until such administrative remedies
- 9 as are available are exhausted.
- 10 (b) As used in this section, the term "prisoner" means any
- 11 person incarcerated or detained in any facility who is accused
- 12 of, convicted of, or sentenced for violations of criminal law or
- 13 the terms and conditions of parole, probation, pretrial release,
- 14 or diversionary program. The term does not apply to juveniles
- 15 incarcerated in youth correctional facilities."
- 16 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 17 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Prison Litigation

Description:

Requires prisoners to exhaust administrative remedies before bringing a civil court action. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB2237 HD1)

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