A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO JURY SELECTION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 635, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending the title, "IMPANELING, SEGREGATION OF 3 JURY", to read as follows: "[IMPANELING, SEGREGATION OF JURY] SIZE OF JURY" 4 5 SECTION 2. Section 635-26, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 6 amended to read as follows: 7 "§635-26 Impaneling. [(a)] At the trial of any cause 8 requiring a jury in any circuit or district court, the clerk of 9 the court shall draw a jury by lot[, to the number of twelve, 10 from the box containing the names of persons who have been duly 11 summoned to attend as trial jurors and who are not excused from 12 attendance. If any of the twelve are challenged and set aside, 13 the clerk shall continue to draw by lot from the box until 14 twelve impartial jurors are obtained, who then shall be sworn as 15 the jurors for the trial of the cause. If so directed by the 16 court, additional jurors shall be drawn and impaneled to sit as

alternate jurors.

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- 2 consist of a number less than twelve]. The trial jury shall
- 3 consist of twelve jurors and sufficient alternate jurors."
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 5 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 6 begun before its effective date.
- 7 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Jury Selection; Jury Size

Description:

Removes the requirement that juries be selected by the strikeand-replace method of jury impanelment.

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