## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ASSAULT OF SPORTS OFFICIALS.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 707-711, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended t	o read as follows:
3	"§70	7-711 Assault in the second degree. (1) A person
4	commits t	he offense of assault in the second degree if:
5	(a)	The person intentionally or knowingly causes
6		substantial bodily injury to another;
7	(b)	The person recklessly causes serious or substantial
8		bodily injury to another;
9	(c)	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
10		injury to a correctional worker, as defined in section
11		710-1031(2), who is engaged in the performance of duty
12		or who is within a correctional facility;
13	(d)	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
14		injury to another with a dangerous instrument;
15	(e)	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
16		injury to an educational worker who is engaged in the
17		performance of duty or who is within an educational
18		facility. For the purposes of this paragraph,
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1		"educational worker" means any administrator,
2		specialist, counselor, teacher, or employee of the
3		department of education or an employee of a charter
4		school; a person who is a volunteer, as defined in
5		section 90-1, in a school program, activity, or
6		function that is established, sanctioned, or approved
7		by the department of education; or a person hired by
8		the department of education on a contractual basis and
9		engaged in carrying out an educational function;
10	(f)	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
11		injury to any emergency medical services provider who
12		is engaged in the performance of duty. For the
13		purposes of this paragraph, "emergency medical
14		services provider" means emergency medical services
15		personnel, as defined in section 321-222, and
16		physicians, physician's assistants, nurses, nurse
<b>17</b>		practitioners, certified registered nurse
18		anesthetists, respiratory therapists, laboratory
19		technicians, radiology technicians, and social
20		workers, providing services in the emergency room of a
21		hospital;

1	(g)	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
2		injury to a person employed at a state-operated or
3		-contracted mental health facility. For the purposes
4		of this paragraph, "a person employed at a state-
5		operated or -contracted mental health facility"
6		includes health care professionals as defined in
7		section 451D-2, administrators, orderlies, security
8		personnel, volunteers, and any other person who is
9		engaged in the performance of a duty at a state-
10		operated or -contracted mental health facility;
11	(h)	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
12		injury to a person who:
13		(i) The defendant has been restrained from, by order
14		of any court, including an ex parte order,
15		contacting, threatening, or physically abusing
16		pursuant to chapter 586; or
17		(ii) Is being protected by a police officer ordering
18		the defendant to leave the premises of that
19		protected person pursuant to section 709-906(4),
20		during the effective period of that order; [or]
21	[+](i)[+]	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
22		injury to any firefighter or water safety officer who

1		is engaged in the performance of duty. For the
2,		purposes of this paragraph, "firefighter" has the same
3	•	meaning as in section 710-1012 and "water safety
4		officer" means any public servant employed by the
<b>5</b> <		United States, the State, or any county as a lifeguard
6.	·	or person authorized to conduct water rescue or ocean
7		safety functions[-]; or
8	<u>(j)</u>	The person intentionally or knowingly causes bodily
9	•	injury to any sports official in retaliation for or on
10	•	account of the sports official's performance of a duty
11		at a sports event.
12		For the purposes of this paragraph:
13	•	"Sports event" means any organized amateur or
14		professional athletic contest in the State.
15		"Sports official" means a person at a sports
16		event who enforces the rules of the event, such as an
17		umpire or referee, or a person who supervises the
18	•	participants, such as a coach.
19	(2)	Assault in the second degree is a class C felony."
20	SECT	ION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
21	matured,	penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
22	begun bef	ore its effective date.

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- 1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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### Report Title:

Assault; Sports Officials

### Description:

Makes it a Class C felony to assault a sports official as a result of the performance of duty at a sports event.

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