A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ATTORNEYS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 605-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3	"(b) In order to be licensed by the supreme court, a
4	person shall be of good moral character, and shall satisfy such
5	residence and other requirements as the supreme court may
6	prescribe[-]; provided that no person shall be required to join
7	any private organization as a requirement for licensure."
8	SECTION 2. Section 605-15.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9	amended to read as follows:
10	"§605-15.1 Standing. The attorney general or [any bar
11	association] a disciplinary body authorized by the supreme court
12	in this State may maintain an action for violations of section
13	605-14."
14	SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
15	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Attorney Qualifications; Disciplinary Board

Description:

Establishes that there is no requirement for an attorney to join any association or organization of lawyers to maintain a law license in this State. Authorizes a disciplinary body authorized by the supreme court, rather than a bar association, and maintain actions for the unauthorized practice of law.

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