A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES PENALTIES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 187A-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "§187A-13 General penalty[-]; community service. (a) Any
- 4 person violating this chapter or any rule adopted thereunder for
- 5 which a penalty is not otherwise provided, shall be guilty of a
- 6 petty misdemeanor and, in addition to any other penalties, shall
- 7 be fined not less than:
- **8** (1) \$250 for a first offense;
- 9 (2) \$500 for a second offense; and
- 10 (3) \$1,000 for a third or subsequent offense.
- 11 (b) [The fines specified in this section shall not be
- 12 suspended or waived.] The court may require the defendant to
- 13 complete an aquatic resources educational class administered by
- 14 the department in addition to or in lieu of paying all or any
- 15 part of any monetary fine authorized by this section.

1 (c) The court may direct the defendant to perform 2 community service as administered by the department in lieu of 3 paying any monetary fine authorized by this section." 4 SECTION 2. Section 188-70, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows: 5 "§188-70 Penalties. (a) Any person violating any 6 7 provision of or any rule adopted pursuant to this chapter, except sections 188-23 and 188-39.5, is guilty of a petty 8 9 misdemeanor and, in addition to any other penalties, shall be 10 fined not less than: 11 \$100 for a first offense; (1)\$200 for a second offense; and 12 (2) 13 (3) \$500 for a third or subsequent offense. Any person violating section 188-23, is guilty of a 14 (b) 15 class C felony and shall be sentenced pursuant to chapter 706; 16 provided that the environmental court, in addition to any term 17 of imprisonment or any other terms and conditions of probation, 18 shall order the defendant to pay a fine of not less than \$1,000. 19 Notwithstanding section 706-669 and any other law to the 20 contrary, any person in violation of subsection (b), as a first

offense, shall be sentenced to a mandatory minimum period of

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- 1 imprisonment without possibility of parole for thirty days.
- 2 Repeat offenders shall be sentenced pursuant to chapter 706.
- 3 (c) [The fines specified in this section shall not be
- 4 suspended or waived.] The court may require the defendant to
- 5 complete an aquatic resources educational class administered by
- 6 the department of land and natural resources in addition to or
- 7 in lieu of paying all or any part of any monetary fine
- 8 authorized by this section.
- 9 (d) The court may direct the defendant to perform
- 10 community service as administered by the department of land and
- 11 natural resources in lieu of paying any monetary fine authorized
- 12 by this section."
- 13 SECTION 3. Section 190-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 14 amended to read as follows:
- 15 "\$190-5 Penalty. (a) Any person violating this chapter,
- 16 any rule adopted pursuant thereto, or the terms and conditions
- 17 of any permit issued under section 190-4, shall be guilty of a
- 18 petty misdemeanor and punished as provided in subsections (b)
- 19 and (c).
- 20 (b) The punishment, in addition to any other penalties,
- 21 shall be a fine of not less than:

- 1 (1) \$250 for a first offense;
- 2 (2) \$500 for a second offense; and
- 3 (3) \$1,000 for a third or subsequent offense.
- 4 [The fines specified in this section shall not be (c)
- 5 suspended or waived.] The court may require the defendant to
- 6 complete an aquatic resources educational class administered by
- 7 the department of land and natural resources in addition to or
- in lieu of paying all or any part of any monetary fine 8
- 9 authorized by this section.
- 10 (d) The court may allow the defendant to perform community
- 11 service as administered by the department of land and natural
- resources in lieu of paying any monetary fine authorized by this 12
- 13 section."
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 15 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 16 begun before its effective date.
- 17 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 19 This Act shall take effect upon its approval. SECTION 6.

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Description:

Authorizes the court to require a person who violates certain laws pertaining to aquatic resources to complete an aquatic resources educational class administered by DLNR in lieu of or in addition to paying a monetary fine. Authorizes the court to require a person who violates certain laws pertaining to aquatic resources to perform community service administered by DLNR in lieu of paying a monetary fine.

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