## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERANS DISABILITY BENEFITS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 651, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to part III to be appropriately
3	designated and to read as follows:
4	"§651- Veterans disability compensation benefits;
5	exemption. (a) Federal disability compensation benefits, as
6	determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs
7	disability compensation benefits rate and awarded to veterans
8	for service-connected disabilities, pursuant to title 38 United
9	States Code chapter 11:
10	(1) Are exempt from the claim of creditors;
11	(2) Are not subject to attachment, levy, or seizure under
12	any legal or equitable process, as provided by federal
13	law; and
14	(3) May not be awarded to any other person.
15	(b) Only that portion of a veteran's disability benefits
16	that is not considered to be the veteran's disability
17	compensation, as determined by the United States Department of

- 1 Veterans Affairs disability compensation benefits rate, shall be
- 2 subject to child and spousal support enforcement under title 42
- 3 United States Code section 659(h)(1)(A)(ii)(V)."
- 4 SECTION 2. This Act shall not apply to any action filed
- 5 before its effective date.
- 6 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.

## Report Title:

Veterans Disability Benefits; Attachment; Exemption

## Description:

Exempts federal veterans disability compensation benefits from seizure to enforce a court judgment. Provides that only that portion of a veteran's disability benefits that is not considered to be the veteran's disability compensation shall be subject to child and spousal support enforcement. (HB805 HD2)

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