# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 52D-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "§52D-2 Chief of police. A chief of police shall be
- 4 appointed and may be removed as prescribed by the charter of
- 5 each county[-]; provided that the mayor of each county shall
- 6 also have authority to remove the respective county chief of
- 7 police for good and just cause, upon approval by the police
- 8 commission. The chief of police shall annually make a report to
- 9 the police commission on the state of affairs and condition of
- 10 the police department."
- 11 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 13 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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## S.B. NO. 677 S.D. 1

### Report Title:

Public Safety; Law Enforcement; County Mayors; Chief of Police; Police Commission

## Description:

Provides the mayor of each county with the authority to remove the respective county chief of police for good and just cause, upon approval by the police commission. (SD1)

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