A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHILD CARE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 346-156, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows: 3 "\$346-156 Penalty. (a) Any person [violating any provision of] who violates this chapter or any rule [made 4 5 pursuant thereto] adopted pursuant to this chapter shall be 6 fined as follows: 7 (1) Up to \$1,000 for the first violation; and 8 (2) Up to \$3,000 for the second violation and each 9 succeeding violation. 10 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), any person who 11 violates part VIII of this chapter or any rule adopted pursuant 12 thereto shall be fined as follows:
- 13 (1) Up to \$5,000 for the first violation; and
- 14 (2) Up to \$10,000 for the second violation and each

 15 succeeding violation.
- (c) In addition to the penalties under subsection (b), the department may refer to the attorney general or respective

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- 1 county prosecutor any intentional, knowing, or reckless
- violation of part VIII of this chapter or of any health and
- 3 safety rule adopted pursuant thereto, for prosecution of any
- 4 applicable offense under part II or III of chapter 707, or
- 5 section 709-903.5 or 709-904."
- 6 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 7 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 8 begun before its effective date.
- 9 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 7, 2059.

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Report Title:

Child Care; Penalties; Department of Human Services

Description:

Increases monetary penalties for violating the laws relating to child care facilities. Authorizes the department of human services to refer to the attorney general or respective county prosecutor any intentional, knowing, or reckless violation of the laws relating to child care facilities or certain criminal offenses. Takes effect on 1/7/2059. (SD2)

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