A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COURTS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 604A-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by amending its title and subsection (a) to read as
3	follows:
4	"[4]§604A-2[4] Jurisdiction. (a) The environmental
5	courts shall have exclusive, original jurisdiction over all
6	proceedings, including judicial review of administrative
7	proceedings and proceedings for declaratory judgment on the
8	validity of agency rules authorized under chapter 91, arising
9	under chapters 6D, 6E, 6K, 128D, 339, 339D, 340A, 340E, 342B,
10	342C, 342D, 342E, 342F, 342G, 342H, 342I, 342J, 342L, 342P, 343,
11	and 508C, and title 12; provided that [upon]:
12	(1) The environmental courts shall not have exclusive,
13	original jurisdiction over any proceedings relating to
14	any motor vehicle, motorcycle, motor scooter, or mopeo
15	parking violations adopted under agency rules pursuant
16	to chapter 91 and authorized under chapters 6D, 6E,
17	6K, 128D, 339, 339D, 340A, 340E, 342B, 342C, 342D,

1		342E, 342F, 342G, 342H, 342I, 342J, 342L, 342P, 343,
2	•	and 508C, and title 12; and
3	(2)	<u>Upon</u> the motion of a party or sua sponte by the chief
4		justice, the chief justice may assign to the
5		environmental courts issues before the courts when the
6		chief justice determines that due to their subject
7		matter the assignment is required to ensure the
8		uniform application of environmental laws throughout
9		the State or to otherwise effectuate the purpose of
10		this chapter."
11	SECT	ION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
12	matured,	penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
13	begun bef	ore its effective date.
14	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
15	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.
16	SECT	ION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

Report Title:

Environmental Courts; Original Jurisdiction; Parking Violations; Administrative Rules

Description:

Provides that the environmental courts shall not have exclusive, original jurisdiction over any proceedings relating to parking violations under certain administrative rules and laws. (SD1)

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