A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO INVESTIGATIONS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 28-2.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 3 "(a) The attorney general shall investigate alleged violations of the law when directed to do so by the governor, or 4 when the attorney general determines that an investigation would 5 be in the public interest [-]; provided that it shall be in the 6 7 public interest to investigate an alleged violation of state law 8 when: 9 The alleged offender is a county police officer; and (1) The prosecuting attorney of the county that employs 10 (2) 11 the police officer has declined to prosecute the 12 county police officer." SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 14

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SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Clarifies that the Attorney General shall investigate an alleged violation of state law by a county police officer when the prosecuting attorney of the county that employs the police officer has declined to prosecute.

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