A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I:

1	SECTION 1. The purpose of this bill is to amend the
2	definition of "confidential personal information," in section
3	708-800, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), to conform the
4	definition to the judicially imposed amendments set out by the
5	Hawaii Supreme Court, in its decision of State v. Pacquing, 139
6	Haw. 302 (2016). In Pacquing, the Court excised portions of the
7	definition to eliminate unconstitutionally vague provisions in
8	the law as it impacted the offense of unauthorized possession of
9	a confidential personal information, in section 708-839.55, HRS.
10	SECTION 2. Section 708-800 , Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11	amended by amending the definition of "confidential personal
12	information" to read as follows:
13	""Confidential personal information" means information in
14	which an individual has a significant privacy interest,
15	including [but not limited to] a driver's license number, a
16	social security number, an identifying number of a depository
17	account, or a bank account number[, a password or other
18	information that is used for accessing information, or any other

H.B. NO. 2318

1	name, number, or code that is used, alone or in conjunction with
2	other information, to confirm the identity of a person]."
3	SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
4	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
5	begun, before the effective date of this Act.
6	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
8	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
9	
10	INTRODUCED BY:
11	BY REQUEST
12	JAN 2 2 2018

H.B. NO. 2218

Report Title:

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION

Description:

Amends the definition of "confidential personal information," in section 708-800, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), to eliminate unconstitutionally vague provisions in the law as determined by the Hawaii Supreme Court, in its decision of State v. Pacquing, 139 Haw. 302 (2016).

The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.

JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:

Attorney General

TITLE:

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONFIDENTIAL

PERSONAL INFORMATION.

PURPOSE:

To amend the definition of "confidential personal information," in section 708-800, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), to eliminate unconstitutionally vague provisions in the law as determined by the Hawaii Supreme Court, in its decision of State v. Pacquing,

139 Haw. 302 (2016).

MEANS:

Amend section 708-800, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

JUSTIFICATION:

The Hawaii Supreme Court, in its decision of State v. Pacquing, 139 Haw. 302 (2016), found that part of the definition of "confidential personal information" in section 708-800, HRS, was unconstitutionally vague as it relates to the offense of unauthorized possession of a confidential personal information, in section 708-839.55, HRS. The Court stated:

In conclusion, given the uncertainty in meaning and scope of HRS § 708-800 and the indefinite and varying standards it provides for adjudging guilt, the UPCPI statutes are inordinately vague.

The Court went on to conclude:

To eliminate the unconstitutional aspects of the UPCPI statutes, portions of the HRS § 708-800 definition of "confidential personal information" must be excised. . . .

The Court specified exactly how the definition should be amended. This bill adopts the Court's specified amendments.



Impact on the public: A person will have a better understanding of the offense of unauthorized possession of confidential information and will know how to conform the person's conduct to the law.

Impact on the department and other agencies: This bill will allow for more effective and less subjective enforcement of the law regarding the unauthorized possession of confidential information by law enforcement officers.

GENERAL FUND:

None.

OTHER FUNDS:

None.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION:

None.

OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES:

None.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon approval.