A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ABUSE OF FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 709-906, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (8) to read as follows:
- 3 "(8) Where the physical abuse consists of intentionally or
- 4 knowingly impeding the normal breathing or circulation of the
- 5 blood of the family or household member [by applying pressure on
- 6 the throat or the neck], abuse of a family or household member
- 7 is a class C felony."
- 8 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 9 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 10 begun before its effective date.
- 11 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 12 and stricken.
- 13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 7, 2059.

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Report Title:

Abuse of Family or Household Members

Description:

Makes physical abuse consisting of intentionally or knowingly impeding normal breathing or circulation of blood of a family or household member by any means a class C felony. Takes effect on 01/07/2059. (SD1)

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