

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PARENTAGE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii supreme
- 2 court's majority opinion in LC v. MG and Child Support
- 3 Enforcement Agency, No. SCAP-16-0000837 (HAW. Oct. 4, 2018)
- 4 held, in part, that the Hawaii Uniform Parentage Act, chapter
- 5 584, Hawaii Revised Statutes, precludes a spouse from rebutting
- 6 the marital presumption of parentage with evidence that
- 7 demonstrates a clear and convincing lack of consent to the other
- 8 spouse's artificial insemination procedure. The legislature
- 9 also finds that the court's majority based this holding on
- 10 speculation regarding the legislature's intent in removing a
- 11 provision relating to artificial insemination when it adopted
- 12 the Uniform Parentage Act in 1973. The provision at issue
- 13 specifically identified a husband's written consent to his
- 14 wife's artificial insemination procedure as evidence relating to
- 15 paternity. The legislature finds that the court's majority
- 16 overreached in its conclusion that the legislature's removal of
- 17 this provision in its initial adoption of the Uniform Parentage

- 1 Act indicates express legislative intent to preclude any
- 2 evidence of non-consent to an artificial insemination procedure
- 3 as a rebuttal to the presumption of parentage.
- 4 The purpose of this Act is to clarify that evidence of an
- 5 alleged parent's non-consent to an artificial insemination
- 6 procedure that resulted in the birth of a child may be
- 7 considered as evidence relating to paternity in an action
- 8 regarding the parentage of that child.
- 9 SECTION 2. Section 584-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 "§584-12 Evidence relating to paternity. Evidence
- 12 relating to paternity may include:
- 13 (1) Evidence of sexual intercourse between the mother and
- 14 the alleged father at any possible time of conception;
- 15 (2) An expert's opinion concerning the statistical
- 16 probability of the alleged father's paternity based
- 17 upon the duration of the mother's pregnancy;
- 18 (3) Genetic test results, including blood test results,
- weighted in accordance with evidence, if available, of
- the statistical probability of the alleged father's
- 21 paternity;

1	(4)	Medical or anthropological evidence relating to the
2		alleged father's paternity of the child based on tests
3		performed by experts. If a man has been identified as
4		a possible father of the child, the court may, and
5		upon request of a party shall, require the child, the
6		mother, and the man to submit to appropriate tests;
7	(5)	A voluntary, written acknowledgment of paternity;
8	(6)	Bills for pregnancy and childbirth, including medical
9		insurance premiums covering this period and genetic
10		testing, without the need for foundation testimony or
11		other proof of authenticity or accuracy, and these
12		bills shall constitute prima facie evidence of amounts
13		incurred for such services or for testing on behalf of
14		the child; [and]
15	<u>(7)</u>	Evidence of non-consent to an artificial insemination
16		procedure that resulted in the birth of the child; and
17	[-(7)]	(8) All other evidence relevant to the issue of
18		paternity of the child."
19	SECT	ION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
20	matured,	penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
21	hogun hef	ore its effective date

- SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 1
- and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 2
- SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 3

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Report Title:

Uniform Parentage Act; Artificial Insemination; Consent; Paternity

Description:

Clarifies that evidence demonstrating an alleged parent's nonconsent to an artificial insemination procedure that resulted in the birth of a child may be introduced as evidence relating to paternity.

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