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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF PROPERTY.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 708-800, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
4 and to read:

5 "Intellectual property" means intangible property rights
6 in the creative products of human intelligence, as protected
7 under copyright, patent, trademark, and trade secret laws."

8 2. By amending the definition of "property" to read:

9 "Property" means any money, personal property, real
10 property, thing in action, evidence of debt or contract, or
11 article of value of any kind[~~-~~], and includes intellectual
12 property and property that is stored in an electronic medium and
13 is retrievable in a perceivable form. Commodities of a public
14 utility nature such as gas, electricity, steam, and water
15 constitute property, but the supplying of such a commodity to
16 premises from an outside source by means of wires, pipes,



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1 conduits, or other equipment shall be deemed a rendition of a
2 service rather than a sale or delivery of property."

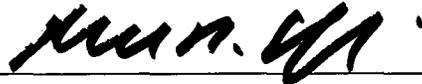
3 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
4 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
5 begun before its effective date.

6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



By Request



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Report Title:

Honolulu Prosecuting Attorney Package; Property Crimes

Description:

Updates the definition of "property" to expressly include intellectual property or property stored in an electronic medium, for purposes of prosecuting property crimes.

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