A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AQUATIC LIFE.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 195D-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

 "(a) Any person who violates any [of the provisions]

 provision of this chapter [f]or[f the provisions of any rule
 adopted hereunder shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be
 punished as follows:
 - (1) For a first offense by a fine of not less than \$250 or by imprisonment of not more than one year, or both; and
- 10 (2) For a second or subsequent offense within five years

 11 of a previous conviction by a fine of not less than

 12 \$500 or by imprisonment of not more than one year, or

 13 both[-];
- 14 provided that if the violation involved the taking of aquatic
- 15 life protected by this chapter, and the form of the taking was
- 16 the harassment of the aquatic life, the person shall be

- 1 imprisoned for no fewer than forty-eight hours for the
- 2 violation."
- SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that 3
- matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were 4
- 5 begun before its effective date.
- 6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 7
- SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 8

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Report Title:

Conservation; Aquatic Animals; Harassment; Imprisonment

Description:

Provides that a person who violates aquatic life conservation law in a manner that harasses aquatic life, if convicted, shall be imprisoned for no fewer than 48 hours for the violation.

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