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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE PROTECTIVE ORDERS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 586-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) Whenever an order for protection is granted pursuant
4 to this chapter, a respondent or person to be restrained who
5 knowingly or intentionally violates the order for protection
6 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor[-] for a first conviction and a
7 class C felony for a second or subsequent conviction. A person
8 convicted under this section shall be ordered by the court to
9 complete an assessment at any available domestic violence
10 program and shall complete a domestic violence intervention or
11 anger management course as determined by the domestic violence
12 program. The court additionally shall sentence a person
13 convicted under this section as follows:

14 (1) For a first conviction for violation of the order for
15 protection:

16 (A) That is in the nature of non-domestic abuse, the
17 person may be sentenced to a jail sentence of



1 forty-eight hours and be fined no more than \$150;

2 or

3 (B) That is in the nature of domestic abuse, the
4 person shall be sentenced to a mandatory minimum
5 jail sentence of no less than forty-eight hours
6 and be fined no less than \$150 nor more than
7 \$500;

8 (2) For a second conviction for violation of the order for
9 protection:

10 (A) That is in the nature of non-domestic abuse, and
11 occurs after a first conviction for violation of
12 the same order that was in the nature of non-
13 domestic abuse, the person shall be sentenced to
14 a mandatory minimum jail sentence of no less than
15 ~~[forty-eight hours]~~ thirty days and be fined no
16 more than \$250;

17 (B) That is in the nature of domestic abuse, and
18 occurs after a first conviction for violation of
19 the same order that was in the nature of domestic
20 abuse, the person shall be sentenced to a
21 mandatory minimum jail sentence of no less than



1 [~~thirty~~] sixty days and be fined no less than
2 \$250 nor more than \$1,000;

3 (C) That is in the nature of non-domestic abuse, and
4 occurs after a first conviction for violation of
5 the same order that was in the nature of domestic
6 abuse, the person shall be sentenced to a
7 mandatory minimum jail sentence of no less than
8 [~~forty-eight hours~~] thirty days and be fined no
9 more than \$250; or

10 (D) That is in the nature of domestic abuse, and
11 occurs after a first conviction for violation of
12 the same order that is in the nature of non-
13 domestic abuse, the person shall be sentenced to
14 a mandatory minimum jail sentence of no less than
15 [~~forty-eight hours~~] thirty days and be fined no
16 more than \$150; and

17 (3) For any subsequent violation that occurs after a
18 second conviction for violation of the same order for
19 protection, the person shall be sentenced to a
20 mandatory minimum jail sentence of [~~not~~] no less than



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1 ~~[thirty]~~ ninety days and be fined ~~[not]~~ no less than
2 ~~[\$250]~~ \$500 nor more than ~~[\$1,000;]~~ \$2,000;

3 provided that the court shall not sentence a defendant to pay a
4 fine unless the defendant is or will be able to pay the fine.

5 Upon conviction and sentencing of the defendant, the court
6 shall order that the defendant immediately be incarcerated to
7 serve the mandatory minimum sentence imposed; provided that the
8 defendant may be admitted to bail pending appeal pursuant to
9 chapter 804. The court may stay the imposition of the sentence
10 if special circumstances exist.

11 The court may suspend any jail sentence under
12 ~~[subparagraphs]~~ paragraphs (1)(A) and (2)(C), upon condition
13 that the defendant remain alcohol- and drug-free, conviction-
14 free, or complete court-ordered assessments or intervention.
15 Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the
16 discretion of the judge to impose additional sanctions
17 authorized in sentencing for a misdemeanor offense. All
18 remedies for the enforcement of judgments shall apply to this
19 chapter."



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

4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY: _____

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Report Title:

Domestic Abuse Protective Orders; Repeat Offenders; Penalties

Description:

Makes a second or subsequent conviction for violation of a domestic abuse protective order a class C felony. Increases the sentencing requirements for second or subsequent convictions.

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