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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROTECTIVE ORDERS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii is home to a
2 large and diverse military population, including active duty
3 personnel, reservists, and their families. While military
4 families contribute significantly to the social and economic
5 fabric of the State, they may also face distinct challenges when
6 navigating the civilian justice system, particularly in
7 situations involving protective orders.

8 The legislature further finds that enhancing coordination
9 and communication between civilian law enforcement agencies and
10 the military is critical to ensuring the safety of victims,
11 promoting accountability, and preventing further harm. Timely
12 notification to the security forces of each branch of the
13 military of protective orders can support command-level
14 interventions, ensure compliance, and provide a more integrated
15 response to abusive behavior involving military members or their
16 dependents.

17 The purpose of this Act is to require information sharing
18 between the judiciary, the county police departments, the

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1 department of law enforcement, and the security forces of each
2 branch of the military in cases involving protective orders.
3 This Act is intended to support early intervention, reduce the
4 risk of repeated violence, and strengthen community safety
5 through improved collaboration while upholding confidentiality
6 and due process protections.

7 SECTION 2. Section 586-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "§586-10 Copy to law enforcement [~~agency-~~] agencies and
10 the security forces of each branch of the military. (a) Any
11 order for protection granted pursuant to this chapter shall be
12 transmitted by the clerk of the court within twenty-four hours
13 to the appropriate county police department[~~-~~], the department
14 of law enforcement, and the security forces of each branch of
15 the military.

16 (b) Each county police department shall make available to
17 other law enforcement officers in the same county, through a
18 system for verification, information as to the existence and
19 status of any order for protection issued pursuant to this
20 chapter.

21 (c) The judiciary, the county police departments, and the
22 department of law enforcement shall establish policies and

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1 procedures, in consultation with the security forces of each
2 branch of the military, for interagency communications and
3 training on the implementation of this section, while
4 safeguarding victim confidentiality, due process, and compliance
5 with applicable federal and state law.

6 (d) For purposes of this section, the following
7 definitions apply:

8 "Military" refers to all branches of the United States
9 Armed Forces responsible for national defense; further defined
10 as the Army, Marine Corp, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, and
11 Coast Guard.

12 "Security forces of each branch of the military" refers to
13 the Army Criminal Investigation Division and U.S. Army Garrison
14 Hawaii, the Marine Corps Criminal Investigation Division, the
15 Naval Criminal Investigative Service, the Air Force and Space
16 Force through the Air Force Office of Special Investigations,
17 and the Coast Guard Investigative Service."

18 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

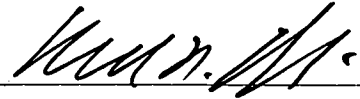
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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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BY REQUEST

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Report Title:

Protective Orders; Law Enforcement; Military; Judiciary;
Coordination; Notification

Description:

Requires notification to the security forces of each branch of the military when a protective order is issued in a case involving a military-affiliated individual.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Business, Economic Development, and Tourism

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROTECTIVE ORDERS.

PURPOSE: To strengthen protective order enforcement and victim safety by requiring coordination and information sharing between the Judiciary, the county police departments, the Department of Law Enforcement, and the security forces of each branch of the military in cases involving military-affiliated individuals and protective orders.

MEANS: Amend section 586-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

JUSTIFICATION: Chapter 586, HRS, does not currently require notification to the security forces of each branch of the military when protective orders are issued in cases involving military-affiliated individuals. This bill would require timely notification to the security forces of each branch of the military in these specific cases and require the Judiciary, the county police departments, and the Department of Law Enforcement to establish procedures for information sharing in consultation with the security forces of each branch of the military.

Impact on the public: Increases accountability and improves safety for victims with protective orders involving military-affiliated individuals.

Impact on the department and other agencies: No impact on the Department. The Judiciary, the county police departments, the Department of Law Enforcement, and the security forces of each branch of the military will need to update protocols for information sharing and interagency

coordination. No significant fiscal impact is anticipated. Military commands will benefit from more consistent awareness of protective orders involving personnel under their jurisdiction.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM
DESIGNATION: BED142.

OTHER AFFECTED
AGENCIES: Judiciary, Military, the Department of Law Enforcement, and county police departments.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.