**ACT 45** 

S.B. NO. 2520-82

A Bill for an Act Relating to Notaries Public.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 456-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read: "§456-4 Filing copy of commission; authentication of acts. Each person appointed and commissioned a notary public under this chapter shall forthwith file a literal or photostatic copy of his commission, an impression of his seal, and a specimen of his official signature with the clerk of the circuit court of [each judicial circuit] the circuit in which the notary public resides. Each person appointed and commissioned a notary public under this chapter may also, at his option, file the above-named documents with the clerk of any other circuit court. Thereafter any clerk, when thereunto requested, shall certify to the official character and acts of any such notary public whose commission, impression of seal, and specimen of official signature is so filed in his office."

SECTION 2. Section 456-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read: "§456-16 Disposition of records, penalty. The records of each notary public shall each year on [June 30] July 1 and upon the resignation, death, expiration of term of office, or removal from or abandonment of office, be deposited with the clerk of the circuit court of the judicial circuit in which the notary public resides. By a neglect of sixty days to comply with the above requisition, the notary or his

personal representative shall forfeit to the State not less than \$50 nor more than \$500, in the discretion of the court, in an action brought therefor by the attorney general on behalf of the State."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved April 26, 1982.)