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S.B. NO. 1647-86

A Bill for an Act Relating to Harboring Mongoose.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 142, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§142- Mongoose; killing allowed. No person shall be prohibited from killing a mongoose in any manner not prohibited by law, including by trapping."

SECTION 2. Section 142-92, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§142-92 Mongoose; keeping or breeding; penalty. It shall be unlawful for any person to introduce, keep or breed any mongoose within the State except upon and according to the terms of a written permit which may be granted therefor by the department of agriculture, in its discretion, to scientists, scientific institutions, associations, or colleges, or to officers, boards, or commissions of the State or any county [excepting the county of Kauai]. The department shall not issue a permit authorizing the keeping or breeding of mongoose within either the county of Kauai or the island of Lanai. Any person who violates this section shall be fined not less than \$250 nor more than \$1,000 for each mongoose introduced, kept or bred contrary to this section."

SECTION 3. Section 142-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§142-93 Harboring mongoose; penalty. Any person harboring, feeding, or in any way caring for a mongoose, except upon and according to the terms of a written permit which may be granted therefor by the department of agriculture, in its discretion, to scientists, scientific institutions, associations, or colleges, or to officers, boards, or commissions of the State or any county, shall be [fined not more than \$50 or imprisoned not more than fifty days, or both.] penalized pursuant to section 142-12."

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 5, 1986.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.