ACT 86

H.B. NO. 51

A Bill for an Act Relating to Fishing.

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

SECTION 1. Section 188-30.2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"[[]\$188-30.2[]] Fishing with gill nets[.]; prohibited. (a) It is unlawful for any person engaged in gill net fishing to:

[leave] Leave the person's net unattended without visually inspecting the net every two hours and releasing or removing any undersized, illegal, or unwanted catch; or

(2) Leave the net in the water for a period of more than [twelve] four hours[.] in any twenty-four hour period.

(b) For purposes of this section, "gill net" means a curtainlike net suspended in the water with mesh openings large enough to permit only the heads of the fish to pass through, ensnaring them around the gills when they attempt to escape."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 7, 1993.)