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S.B. NO. 2796

A Bill for an Act Relating to Robbery in the First Degree.

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

SECTION 1. Section 708-840, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

“(1) A person commits the offense of robbery in the first degree if, in the course of committing theft:

- (a) The person attempts to kill another, or intentionally or knowingly inflicts or attempts to inflict serious bodily injury upon another; or
- (b) The person is armed with a dangerous instrument and:
 - (i) The person uses force against the person of anyone present with intent to overcome that person’s physical resistance or physical power of resistance; or

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- (ii) The person threatens the imminent use of force against the person of anyone who is present with intent to compel acquiescence to the taking of or escaping with the property.”

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved April 29, 1998.)