

**ACT 13**

S.B. NO. 1270

A Bill for an Act Relating to Antitrust.

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

SECTION 1. Section 480-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

“(c) The attorney general of the State shall be authorized to bring a class action for indirect purchasers asserting claims under this chapter. The attorney general or the director of the office of consumer protection may bring a class action on behalf of consumers based on unfair or deceptive acts or practices declared unlawful by section 480-2. Actions brought under this subsection shall be brought as *parens patriae* on behalf of natural persons residing in the State, to secure [~~compensatory~~] threefold damages for injuries sustained by such natural persons to their property by reason of any violation of this chapter.”

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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

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

(Approved April 16, 2003.)