## **ACT 187**

H.B. NO. 1709

A Bill for an Act Relating to Criminal Property Damage.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 708, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

- **"§708- Aggravated criminal property damage.** (1) A person commits the offense of aggravated criminal property damage if the person:
  - Intentionally damages the property of another without the other's consent; and
  - (b) Has been convicted two or more times of an offense under section 708-822 or 708-823 in the preceding five years.
- (2) For purposes of this section, "convicted two or more times" means that, at the time of the instant offense, the person had previously entered a plea of guilty or no contest or a judge or jury had previously returned a verdict of guilty against the person for two or more offenses committed on separate occasions.
  - (3) Aggravated criminal property damage is a misdemeanor."
- SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun, before its effective date.
  - SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.<sup>1</sup>
  - SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved July 5, 2005.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.