

ACT 143

S.B. NO. 2056

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Penal Code.

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

SECTION 1. Section 706-623, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

“(1) When the court has sentenced a defendant to be placed on probation, the period of probation shall be as follows, unless the court enters the reason therefor on the record and sentences the defendant to a shorter period of probation:

- (a) Ten years upon conviction of a class A felony;
- (b) Five years upon conviction of a class B or class C felony;
- (c) One year upon conviction of a misdemeanor; except that upon a conviction under section 586-4, 586-11, or 709-906, the court may sentence the defendant to a period of probation not exceeding two years; or
- (d) Six months upon conviction of a petty misdemeanor; provided that up to one year may be imposed upon a finding of good cause.

The court, on application of a probation officer, on application of the defendant, or on its own motion, may discharge the defendant at any time. Prior to the court granting early discharge, the defendant’s probation officer shall be required to report to the court concerning the defendant’s compliance or non-compliance with the conditions of probation and the court shall afford the prosecuting attorney an opportunity to be heard. The terms of probation provided in this part, other than in this section, shall not apply to sentences of probation imposed under section 706-606.3.”

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.

(Approved June 20, 2012.)