

ACT 234

H.B. NO. 2099

A Bill for an Act Relating to Workers' Compensation.

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

SECTION 1. Section 386-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

“(a) If the director of labor and industrial relations, appellate board, or any court finds that proceedings under this chapter have been brought, prosecuted, or defended without reasonable ground, the whole costs of the proceedings including reasonable attorney's fees may be assessed against the party who has [sø] brought, prosecuted, or defended the proceedings.”

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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

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

(Approved July 6, 2012.)