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S.B. NO. 2873

A Bill for an Act Relating to Orders for Immediate Protection.

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

SECTION 1. Section 346-231, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) If the department believes that a person is a vulnerable adult and it appears probable that the vulnerable adult has incurred abuse or is in danger of abuse if immediate action is not taken and the vulnerable adult consents, or if the vulnerable adult does not consent and there is probable cause to believe that the vulnerable adult lacks the capacity to make decisions concerning the vulnerable adult's person, the department [shall] may seek an order for immediate protection in accordance with this section."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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 26, 2016.)