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S.B. NO. 2601

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DOCUMENTS SEALED UPON FILING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 560, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to article 1 to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§560:1- Documents sealed upon filing. In any action
5 or proceeding under this chapter in the circuit court having
6 jurisdiction in matters relating to the affairs of decedents,
7 the following documents shall be sealed upon filing:

8 (1) Birth certificate;

9 (2) Marriage certificate;

10 (3) Death certificate;

11 (4) Tax return;

12 (5) Kokua kanawai's report;

13 (6) Court-ordered professional evaluation; and

14 (7) Responses and objections to a kokua kanawai's report
15 or a professional evaluation.

16 The foregoing documents shall remain sealed unless otherwise
17 ordered by the court; provided that the clerk, without further



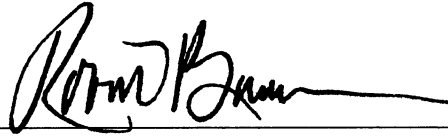
1 court order, may unseal and provide a copy of a report or
2 evaluation pursuant to section 560:5-307 or 560:5-407."

3 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2007.

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INTRODUCED BY:



By Request



SB. NO. 2601

Report Title:

Documents Sealed Upon Filing; Circuit Court; Decedent Affairs

Description:

Requires certain documents to be sealed upon filing in any action or proceeding in the circuit court having jurisdiction in matters relating to the affairs of decedents. Effective 01/01/07.

