



GOV. MSG. NO. 749

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
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GOVERNOR

May 23, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on May 23, 2008, the following bill was signed into law:

HB660 SD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE  
JURISDICTION OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS.  
(ACT 107)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle".

LINDA LINGLE

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to maintain the  
2 process of impeachment of appointed or elected officers of each  
3 county, by expanding the jurisdiction of the circuit courts to  
4 include impeachment proceedings against county officers.

5 SECTION 2. Section 603-21.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
6 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

7 "(a) The several circuit courts shall have jurisdiction,  
8 except as otherwise expressly provided by statute, of:

9 (1) Criminal offenses cognizable under the laws of the  
10 State, committed within their respective circuits or  
11 transferred to them for trial by change of venue from  
12 some other circuit court;

13 (2) Actions for penalties and forfeitures incurred under  
14 the laws of the State;

15 (3) Civil actions and proceedings, in addition to those  
16 listed in sections 603-21.6, 603-21.7, and  
17 603-21.8[~~-~~]; and



1        (4) Actions for impeachment of county officers who are  
2                    subject to impeachment."

3        SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5        SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 23 day of MAY, 2008



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

