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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 586-10.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§586-10.5 Reports by the department of human services.**

4 In cases where there are allegations of domestic abuse involving
5 a family or household member who is a minor or an incapacitated
6 person as defined in section 560:5-102, the employee or
7 appropriate nonjudicial agency designated by the family court to
8 assist the petitioner shall report the matter to the department
9 of human services, as required under chapters 350 and 587, and
10 shall further notify the department of the granting of the
11 temporary restraining order and of the hearing date. The
12 department of human services shall provide the family court with
13 [~~an oral or~~] a written report [of the investigation's progress
14 ~~on or~~] on the disposition of the referral, which the court shall
15 provide to the parties at least two days before the hearing
16 date."



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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Department of Human Services; Domestic Abuse

Description:

Requires the department of human services to provide a written report to the court and the parties two days prior to a hearing in a case where there are allegations of domestic abuse.

