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 written report [of the investigation's progress on
- 14 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[-], if possible. The report by the department of human



- 1 services shall be noted in the order dismissing the petition or
- 2 granting the restraining order."
- 3 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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. (SD1)