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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LIABILITY FOR COQUI FROG ERADICATION EFFORTS.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 141, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated

 and to read as follows:

 Limited immunity; coqui frog eradication;
- 5 volunteers. (a) No governmental agency or private entity shall
- 6 be liable for injury or damages sustained by non-employed
- 7 individuals who voluntarily assist in coqui frog eradication
- 8 programs or projects; provided that this immunity from liability
- 9 shall not apply to governmental agencies or private entities in
- 10 cases of gross negligence or wanton acts or omissions.
- (b) For purposes of this section:
- "Agency" means a department, agency, board, commission,
- 13 council, task force, committee, or other political subdivision
- 14 of a county or the State that administers, manages, or otherwise
- 15 engages in coqui frog eradication programs or projects.
- "Entity" means an individual, company, corporation,
- 17 partnership, or other legal entity that administers, manages, or

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- 1 otherwise engages in coqui frog eradication programs or
- 2 projects."

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- 3 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 4 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Limited Immunity from Liability; Coqui Frog Eradication

Description:

Provides limited immunity from liability to governmental agencies and to private entities engaged in coqui frog eradication efforts for injuries sustained by volunteers.