
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HARASSMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 711-1106, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows:

3 "(1) A person commits the offense of harassment if, with
4 intent to harass, annoy, or alarm any other person, that person:

5 (a) Strikes, shoves, kicks, or otherwise touches another
6 person in an offensive manner or subjects the other
7 person to offensive physical contact;

8 (b) Insults, taunts, or challenges another person in a
9 manner likely to provoke an immediate violent response
10 or that would cause the other person to reasonably
11 believe that the actor intends to cause bodily injury
12 to the recipient or another or damage to the property
13 of the recipient or another;

14 (c) Repeatedly makes telephone calls, facsimile~~[, or]~~
15 transmissions, or any form of electronic communication
16 as defined in section 711-1111(2), including
17 electronic mail transmissions, without purpose of
18 legitimate communication;



1 (d) Repeatedly makes a communication anonymously or at an
2 extremely inconvenient hour;

3 (e) Repeatedly makes communications, after being advised
4 by the person to whom the communication is directed
5 that further communication is unwelcome; or

6 (f) Makes a communication using offensively coarse
7 language that would cause the recipient to reasonably
8 believe that the actor intends to cause bodily injury
9 to the recipient or another or damage to the property
10 of the recipient or another."

11 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
12 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
13 begun, before its effective date.

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

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



Report Title:

Harassment

Description:

Provides that harassment includes all forms of electronic communications. (HB615 HD1)

