

GOV. MSG. NO. 1412

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NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

July 09, 2012

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Calvin Say, Speaker and Members of the House Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui, Speaker Say and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 09, 2012, the following bill was signed into law:

HB297 HD1 SD1

RELATING TO THE PROBATION SERVICES FEE.

Act 295 (12)

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor, State of Hawaii

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Approved by the Governor 9 2012 JUL

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 295 H.B. NO. H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PROBATION SERVICES FEE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 706-648, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (1) to read as follows: 2 3 "(1) The court, when sentencing a defendant to probation[τ] or granting deferral of a plea under section 853-1, 4 shall order the defendant to pay a probation services fee. The 5 amount of the fee shall be as follows: 6 \$150, when the term of probation or period of deferral 7 (a) is for more than one year; or \$75, when the term of probation or period of deferral 9 (b) 10 is for one year or less; 11 provided that no fee shall be ordered when the court determines 12 that the defendant is unable to pay the fee." 13 SECTION 2. Section 853-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 14 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 15 The proceedings may be deferred upon any of the conditions specified by section 706-624. As a further 16 17 condition, the court shall impose a compensation fee pursuant to
 - section 351-62.6 and a probation services fee pursuant to 2012-1125 HB297 SD1 SMA.doc

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H.B. NO. 297

- 1 section 706-648 upon every defendant who has entered a plea of
- 2 guilty or nolo contendere to a petty misdemeanor, misdemeanor,
- 3 or felony; provided that the court shall waive the imposition of
- 4 a compensation or probation services fee, if it finds that the
- 5 defendant is unable to pay the compensation or probation
- 6 services fee. The court may defer the proceedings for a period
- 7 of time as the court shall direct but in no case to exceed the
- 8 maximum sentence allowable; provided that, if the defendant has
- 9 entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a petty
- 10 misdemeanor, the court may defer the proceedings for a period
- 11 not to exceed one year. The defendant may be subject to bail or
- 12 recognizance at the court's discretion during the period during
- 13 which the proceedings are deferred."
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act shall not apply to any defendant
- 15 granted a deferred acceptance of guilty or no contest plea
- 16 before the effective date of this Act.
- 17 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 9 day of

JUL

, 2012

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII