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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 711, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§711-     Animal fighting; attendance prohibited. (a) It  
5 shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly attend or pay to  
6 attend an animal fight.

7           (b) Violation of this section shall be a petty  
8 misdemeanor, and in addition to any other penalty a court may  
9 impose, a person convicted under this section shall be sentenced  
10 as follows, without possibility of suspension of sentence:

11           (1) For a first offense:

12           (A) A fine of \$500; provided that upon the  
13 defendant's request, the court may grant  
14 eighty hour of community service in lieu of  
15 the fine;

16           (2) For a second offense:

17           (A) A fine of \$750; provided that upon the  
18 defendant's request, the court may grant one



1                    hundred fifty hours of community service in  
2                    lieu of the fine; and

3            (3) For a third or subsequent offense:

4                    (A) A fine of \$1,000; provided that upon the  
5                    defendant's request, t he court may grant  
6                    two hundred hours of community service in  
7                    lieu of the fine.

8            (c) As used in this section:

9                    "Animal fight" means the intentional fighting or baiting of  
10 any bull, bear, cock, or other animal for amusement or gain.

11                    "Knowingly attend" means anyone present within the  
12 immediate vicinity of an exhibition of animal fighting or  
13 preparations thereto who incites, gives patronage, encourages,  
14 or urges others in the commission thereof."

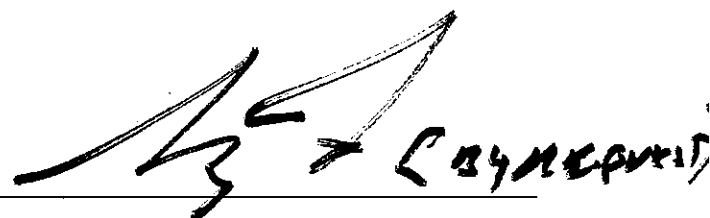
15            SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
16 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
17 begun before its effective date.

18            SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY: 



**Report Title:**

Offenses against public order

**Description:**

Criminalizes attendance at animal fights.

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