

JAN 21 2011

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROTESTS AT FUNERALS.

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- Unlawful protest at a funeral. (1) A person
5 commits the offense of unlawful protest at a funeral if that
6 person engages in picketing or other protest activities within
7 three hundred feet of any residence, cemetery, funeral home,
8 church, synagogue, mosque, or other establishment during, within
9 one hour before the start of, or within one hour after the
10 completion of a funeral, burial service, or memorial service
11 conducted at the subject location.

12 (2) For purposes of this section, "picketing or other
13 protest activities" means a congregation of individuals for the
14 purpose of drawing attention through visual or audible means
15 that is disruptive to or that is undertaken with the purpose of
16 disrupting or disturbing a funeral, burial service, or memorial
17 service.

18 (3) Unlawful protest at a funeral is a misdemeanor."



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

4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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Report Title:

Unlawful Protest at a Funeral

Description:

Prohibits picketing or other forms of protest where the intention is to disrupt or disturb a funeral, burial service, or memorial service.

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