
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WILDLIFE.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 183D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§183D- Reciprocity enforcement agreements. (a) The
5 board may enter into a memorandum of understanding, agreement,
6 or mutual aid compact with the head of any entity of another
7 state, federal entity, or foreign entity for mutual assistance
8 in enforcing compliance with hunting, fishing, and other
9 wildlife laws in the respective jurisdictions.

10 (b) Employees of the department who are serving under the
11 terms of a memorandum of understanding, agreement, or mutual aid
12 compact entered into under subsection (a) shall be considered as
13 performing services within their regular employment for purposes
14 of compensation, employee benefits, workers' compensation, and
15 any other rights or benefits to which they may be entitled as
16 incidents of their regular employment.

17 (c) Employees of the department who are serving under the
18 terms of a memorandum of understanding, agreement, or mutual aid



1 compact entered into under subsection (a) retain personal
2 immunity from civil liability and all rights of indemnification
3 and representation incident to their regular employment.

4 (d) Pursuant to subsection (a), the board shall enter into
5 the wildlife violators compact and shall make the provisions of
6 the compact available through its rules.

7 (e) The board shall adopt rules to enforce the terms of a
8 memorandum of understanding, agreement, or mutual aid compact
9 entered into under subsection (a)."

10 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Wildlife Reciprocity Enforcement Agreements

Description:

Authorizes BLNR to enter into memoranda of understanding, agreement, or mutual aid compact with other states and jurisdictions for the mutual enforcement of hunting, fishing, and other wildlife laws, including the wildlife violators compact. Requires BLNR to enter into the wildlife violators compact and adopt necessary rules.

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