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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DOG OWNER LIABILITY.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 142-74, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
3 "(a) If any dog, while on public property or private
4 property without the consent of the owner of that property,
5 injures or destroys any sheep, cattle, goat, hog, fowl, dog,
6 cat, or other property belonging to any person other than the
7 owner of the dog, the owner of the dog shall be liable in
8 damages to the person injured for the value of the property so
9 injured or destroyed. The owner of the dog shall confine or
10 destroy the dog, and if the owner of the dog neglects or refuses
11 to do so, the owner of the dog, in the event of any further
12 damage being done to the person or property of any person by the
13 dog, in addition to paying the person injured for the damage,
14 shall pay the costs of the trial together with the penalty
15 imposed under section 142-12, and it shall be lawful for any
16 other person to destroy the dog."

17 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 3. 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 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:


By Request



S.B. NO. 926

Report Title:

Dog Owners; Civil Liability

Description:

Provides that the owner of a dog shall be liable for injuries caused by the dog on public property. Requires a dog owner to be liable for injuries or destruction of cats and dogs while on public property or private property without consent.

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