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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMON LAW.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 1-19, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 "§1-19 "Person", "others", "any", etc. The word "person",
4 or words importing persons, for instance, "another", "others",
5 "any", "anyone", "anybody", and the like, [~~signify not only~~
6 ~~individuals, but~~] mean an individual human being of any age,
7 sex, or nationality; provided that the term does not include
8 huis, partnerships, corporations, firms, associations,
9 societies, communities, assemblies, [~~inhabitants of a district,~~
10 ~~or neighborhood, or persons known or unknown, and the public~~
11 ~~generally, where it appears, from the subject matter, the sense~~
12 ~~and connection in which such words are used, that such~~
13 ~~construction is intended.] or any other form of business or
14 legal entity."~~

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.



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1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Common Law; Definition; Person; Human Being

Description:

Amends the definition of "person" or words importing persons, in chapter 1, HRS, to mean an individual human being of any age, sex, or nationality; provided that the term does not include hui, partnerships, corporations, firms, associations, societies, communities, assemblies, or any other form of business or legal entity.

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