### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.

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

| 1  | SECTION 1. Section 710-1063, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is      |
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| 2  | amended to read as follows:                                   |
| 3  | "§710-1063 Unsworn falsification to authorities. (1) A        |
| 4  | person commits the offense of unsworn falsification to        |
| 5  | authorities if, with an intent to mislead a public servant in |
| 6  | the performance of the public servant's duty, the person:     |
| 7  | (a) Makes any statement, in written, printed, or              |
| 8  | electronic form, which the person does not believe to         |
| 9  | be true, in an application for any pecuniary or other         |
| 10 | benefit or in a record or report required by law to be        |
| 11 | submitted to any governmental agency;                         |
| 12 | (b) Knowingly makes a false statement in written, printed,    |
| 13 | electronic, or oral form, to a state investigator or a        |
| 14 | county inspector during an investigation into                 |
| 15 | compliance with any state law, rule, or regulation or         |
| 16 | any county ordinance, rule, or regulation;                    |

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| 1  | $[\frac{b}{c}]$ (c) Submits or invites reliance on any statement,  |
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| 2  | document, or record, in written, printed, or                       |
| 3  | electronic form, which the person knows to be falsely              |
| 4  | made, completed, or altered; or                                    |
| 5  | $[\frac{(c)}{(c)}]$ (d) Submits or invites reliance on any sample, |
| 6  | specimen, map, boundary-mark, or other object the                  |
| 7  | person knows to be false.  |
| 8  | (2) Unsworn falsification to authorities is a misdemeanor.         |
| 9  | (3) As used in this section:                                       |
| 10 | "County inspector" means a person employed, contracted, or         |
| 11 | appointed by a county or a county department or agency to          |
| 12 | evaluate or investigate compliance with any county ordinances,     |
| 13 | rules, or regulations; and   |
| 14 | "State investigator" means a person employed, contracted,          |
| 15 | or appointed by the State or a state department or agency to       |
| 16 | evaluate or investigate compliance with any state laws, rules,     |
| 17 | or regulations."   |
| 18 | SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that         |
| 19 | matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were   |
| 20 | 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:

Penal Code; False Statements; State Investigator; County Inspector

#### Description:

Amends the misdemeanor offense of unsworn falsification to authorities to include knowingly making a false statement to a state investigator or county inspector in certain circumstances.

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