

## GOV. MSG. NO. 1244

## EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

June 30, 2021

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirty First State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 30, 2021, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1021 HD1 SD2

RELATING TO THE INTERSTATE WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT ACT 142 (21)

Sincerely,

DAVID <del>Y. 18</del>É

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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Approved by the Governor
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2021 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 1 4 2 H.B. NO. H.D. 1 S.D. 2

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE INTERSTATE WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the interstate
- 2 wildlife violator compact is a multistate agreement that
- 3 promotes the enforcement of hunting, fishing, trapping, and
- 4 other wildlife-related regulations across jurisdictions. For
- 5 example, the interstate wildlife violator compact could prevent
- 6 wildlife violators who have lost their hunting, fishing,
- 7 trapping, or other wildlife related privileges in other member
- 8 states from obtaining a hunting license in Hawaii. Similarly,
- 9 persons who have been punished with license revocation in Hawaii
- 10 would be unable to avoid this punishment by engaging in those
- 11 activities in another state. The interstate wildlife violator
- 12 compact also establishes a process by which nonresident wildlife
- 13 law violators can be treated as state residents for purposes of
- 14 law enforcement, thereby easing the administrative burden on the
- 15 enforcement agency and reducing enforcement gaps that may allow
- 16 the violator to fail to comply with the terms of the citation.

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- 1 Reciprocity agreements such as the interstate wildlife violator
- 2 compact are an important part of any law enforcement effort.
- Furthermore, existing member states to the interstate
- 4 wildlife violator compact have reported little to no added costs
- 5 or administrative burdens associated with participating in the
- 6 compact. The information system that facilitates participation
- 7 is available for free to member states.
- 8 The legislature further finds that the interstate wildlife
- 9 violator compact is modeled after the successful multistate
- 10 driver license compact and nonresident violator compact. Hawaii
- 11 is party to both compacts. Forty-eight states have passed
- 12 legislation necessary to join the interstate wildlife violator
- 13 compact.
- 14 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the department of
- 15 land and natural resources to become a member of the interstate
- 16 wildlife violator compact or similar agreement.
- 17 SECTION 2. Chapter 183D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 18 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately
- 19 designated and to read as follows:
- 20 "\$183D- Interstate wildlife violator compact. (a) The
- 21 department may enter into the interstate wildlife violator

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- 1 compact or similar agreement, whether in the form of a
- 2 memorandum of understanding, written agreement, or mutual aid
- 3 compact, with an appropriate state, federal, or foreign entity
- 4 for mutual assistance in the enforcement of hunting, fishing,
- 5 and other wildlife laws, rules, or regulations in their
- 6 respective jurisdictions.
- 7 (b) The department may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91
- 8 necessary to implement this section."
- 9 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 30 day of JUN , 2021

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 1021, HD 1, SD 2

### THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 22, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

This 2. The

Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

### THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 13, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2021.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate