

ACT 17

H. B. NO. 1801-70

A Bill for an Act Relating to Perjury and Related Offenses in the Family Courts and Providing a Penalty Therefor.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 571, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding new sections to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“Sec. 571- . Certification in lieu of oath. Whenever any testimony, declaration, deposition, certification or pleading in the family court is required or authorized to be on oath or affirmation, the person so required or authorized may testify, declare, depose, certify, or plead under “penalty of perjury” in such form as may be prescribed by the court.”

“Sec. 571- . Offense. A person who makes a false statement which he does not believe to be true commits an offense whether the false statement is made under an oath required or authorized by law or under “penalty of perjury” as authorized by Sec. 571- of this Act.”

“Sec. 571- . Penalty. The penalty for the offense of making a false statement under “penalty of perjury” shall be the same as would apply if the false statement had been made under oath or affirmation required or authorized by law.”

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1970.

(Approved May 19, 1970.)