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H. B. NO. 166

A Bill for an Act Relating to Boating Accidents.

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

SECTION 1. Section 267-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**“Sec. 267-8 Duty of operator involved in, and at the scene of, a boating accident; limitations of liability.** (a) An operator involved in a boating accident, if and so far as he can do so without serious danger to his own vessel, or person aboard, shall render such assistance as may be practicable and necessary to other persons and any property in order to save them from danger caused by the accident. He shall also make every reasonable effort to identify himself by giving his name and address and the identification of the vessel he was operating to (1) all persons injured; (2) all owners of properties damaged; and (3) all operators of other vessels involved in the accident. It shall further be his duty to reasonably cooperate with all duly authorized personnel of governmental agencies investigating the accident.

(b) Any person who renders assistance in compliance with subsection (a) and any person who in good faith without remuneration or expectation of

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remuneration renders assistance at the scene of a vessel collision, accident, or other casualty without objection of any person assisted, shall not be liable for any civil damages resulting from his acts or omissions in providing or arranging towage, medical treatment, or other assistance, except for damages as may result from his gross negligence or wanton acts or omissions.”

SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun, before its effective date.

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.\*

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

(Approved May 18, 1973.)

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\*Edited accordingly.