ACT 143

H.B. NO. 2612-76

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Real Estate Recovery Fund.

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

SECTION 1. Section 467-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 467-16 Real estate recovery fund; use of fund; fees. The real estate commission shall establish and maintain a real estate recovery fund from which any person aggrieved by an act, representation, transaction, or conduct of a duly licensed real estate broker, or real estate salesman, upon the grounds of fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit, may recover by order of the circuit court or district court of the county where the violation occurred, an amount of not more than \$10,000 for damages sustained by the fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit, including court costs and fees as set by law, and reasonable attorney fees as determined by the court.

When any person makes application for an original license to practice as a real estate broker or salesman he shall pay, in addition to his original license fee, a fee of \$50 for deposit in the real estate recovery fund. If the commission does not issue the license, this fee shall be returned to the applicant."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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.*

^{*}Edited accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved May 27, 1976.)

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