

**ACT 197**

**H.B. NO. 1079**

**A Bill for an Act Relating to Paternity Action.**

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

**SECTION 1.** Chapter<sup>1</sup> 584-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**“§584-7 Statute of limitations.** Except as otherwise provided in section 584-6(a) with respect to a child relinquished for adoption, an action to determine the existence of the father and child relationship as to a child who has no presumed father under section 584-4 shall not be brought later than three years after the birth of the child; provided that an action brought by a child whose paternity has not been determined or an action brought by a personal representative of such a child or the child support enforcement agency, shall not be barred until three years after the child reaches the age of majority; and provided further that if the child is the subject of an adoption proceeding, then the time limitations set out in section 584-6(a)(1) shall apply. Sections 584-6 and 584-7 shall not extend the time within which a right of inheritance or a right to a succession may be asserted beyond the time provided by law relating to distribution and closing of decedents' estates or to the determination of heirship, or otherwise.”

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 6, 1987.)

**Note**

1. So in original.