

ACT 202

H.B. NO. 949

A Bill for an Act Relating to Rights of Inspection.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 187A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

**“§187A- Rights of inspection of catch.** Any agent of the department upon whom the board has conferred powers of police officers or any other enforcement officer of the State shall have the authority to conduct examinations and searches of:

- (1) The contents of any bag or container of any kind used to carry aquatic life; or
- (2) Any vehicle or conveyance used to transport aquatic life;

if such agent or officer has probable cause, as provided by law, to believe that such bag, container, vehicle, or conveyance contains evidence of a violation of the fishing laws of the State. No person shall refuse any enforcement officer of the department or any other enforcement officer of the State such examination and search.”

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.<sup>1</sup>

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

(Approved May 28, 1991.)

**Note**

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.