



GOV. MSG. NO. 1272

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR

June 30, 2015

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 30, 2015, the following bill was signed into law:

SB1166 SD2 HD2

RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE
ACT 171 (15)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to amend the penal
2 code to support the preparation and burial of a corpse
3 consistent with traditional Hawaiian cultural customs and
4 practices.

5 SECTION 2. Section 711-1108, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "**§711-1108 Abuse of a corpse.** (1) A person commits the
8 offense of abuse of a corpse if, except as authorized by law,
9 the person treats a human corpse in a way that the person knows
10 would outrage ordinary family sensibilities.

11 (2) The preparation of a corpse for burial or cremation in
12 a manner consistent with traditional Hawaiian cultural customs
13 and practices shall not be a violation of this section.

14 (3) The burial or cremation of a corpse prepared
15 consistent with traditional Hawaiian cultural customs and
16 practices shall not be a violation of this section.

17 ~~[-(2)]~~ (4) Abuse of a corpse is a misdemeanor."



1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

APPROVED this 30 day of JUN, 2015



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII