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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF PROPERTY.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 708-800, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending the definition of "property" to read as  
3 follows:

4           ""Property" means any money, personal property, real  
5 property, thing in action, evidence of debt or contract, or  
6 article of value of any kind[-], and includes intellectual  
7 property and property that is stored in an electronic medium and  
8 is retrievable in a perceivable form. Commodities of a public  
9 utility nature such as gas, electricity, steam, and water  
10 constitute property, but the supplying of such a commodity to  
11 premises from an outside source by means of wires, pipes,  
12 conduits, or other equipment shall be deemed a rendition of a  
13 service rather than a sale or delivery of property."

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

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# S.B. NO. 2183

**Report Title:**

Honolulu Prosecuting Attorney Package; Property Crimes

**Description:**

Updates the definition of "property" to expressly include intellectual property for purposes of prosecuting property crimes.

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