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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE ALARM SYSTEMS.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 291C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated 2 3 and to read as follows: "§291C- Motor vehicle alarms systems; required technology. (a) Effective July 1, 2008, no manufacturer of a 5 motor vehicle alarm system may cause to be sold or distributed 6 7 in the State a motor vehicle alarm system that does not possess a component or device that electronically notifies the 8 registered owner of the motor vehicle that the alarm has been 9 10 activated for more than three continuous minutes. 11
 - (b) Effective July 1, 2008, no registered owner of a motor vehicle equipped with an alarm system that does not possess a component or device that electronically notifies the registered owner that the alarm has been activated for more than three continuous minutes shall operate a motor vehicle on the public highways, until the alarm system has been removed or the motor vehicle has been retrofitted with an alarm system that

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- electronically notifies the registered owner that the alarm has 1
- 2 been activated for more than three continuous minutes.
- (c) Effective July 1, 2009, no registered owner of a motor 3
- vehicle shall install or use an audible vehicle alarm system. 4
- (d) A person who violates this section shall be subject to 5
- the penalties set forth in section 291C-161." 6
- 7 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were 8
- 9 begun, before its effective date.
- SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored. 10
- 11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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INTRODUCED BY:

Report Title:

Motor Vehicles; Alarms

Description:

Prohibits the use of audible motor vehicle alarms in the State. Prohibits motor vehicle owners from operating a motor vehicle with an alarm system that lacks electronic capability. Subjects violators to traffic code penalties.