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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

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

1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that consumers illegally
2	obtaining display fireworks, articles pyrotechnic, and aerial
3	devices are violating state law.
4	The purpose of this Act is to provide to the counties with
5	more authority to enforce and administer the state fireworks
6	control law.
7	SECTION 2. Section 132D-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
9	and to read as follows:
10	""Carrier" means an individual or company engaged in
11	transporting passengers or goods for profit."
12	SECTION 3. Section 132D-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13	amended to read as follows:
14	"§132D-5 General prohibitions. (a) It shall be unlawful
15	for any person [without a permit issued under section 132D-10 by
16	a county fire department] to:
17	(1) Remove or extract the pyrotechnic contents from any

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fireworks;

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1	(2)	Thro	ow any ignited fireworks:		
2		(A)	From, at, or into a vehicle;		
3		(B)	At a person or an animal; and		
4		(C)	From above the first floor of any building; or		
5	(3)	Set	off, ignite, discharge, or otherwise cause to		
6		expl	ode any fireworks:		
7		(A)	Above the first floor of any building;		
8		(B)	In any vehicle;		
9		(C)	At any time not within the periods for use		
10			prescribed in section 132D-3;		
11		(D)	Within one thousand feet of any operating		
12			hospital, licensed convalescent home, licensed		
13			home for the elderly, zoo, licensed animal		
14			shelter, or licensed animal hospital;		
15		(E)	In any school building, or on any school grounds		
16			and yards without first obtaining authorization		
17			from appropriate school officials;		
18		(F)	On any highway, alley, street, sidewalk, or other		
19			public way; in any park; on any public beach; in		
20			any officially designated forest or wildlife		
21			preserve; within fifty feet of a canefield; or		
22			within one thousand feet of any building used for		
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1	public worship during the periods when services			
2	are held; and			
3	(G) Within five hundred feet of any hotel; except as			
4	may be permitted pursuant to section 132D-10.			
5	(b) It shall be unlawful to purchase consumer fireworks			
6	more than five calendar days before the time periods for			
7	permissible use under section 132D-3.			
8	(c) It shall be unlawful to sell consumer fireworks after			
9	12:01 a.m. on New Year's Day, 6:00 p.m. on Chinese New Year's			
10	Day, and 8:00 p.m. on the Fourth of July."			
11	SECTION 4. Section 132D-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is			
12	amended to read as follows:			
13	"§132D-20 Enforcement. (a) This chapter shall be			
14	enforced by each county. The counties are authorized to enforce			
15	and administer [the provisions of] this chapter.			
16	(b) Upon request from an auditor of fireworks, a carrier			
17	will provide shipper and manifest information. A carrier			
18	refusing to provide shipper and manifest information shall be			
19	fined not more than \$5,000."			
20	SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed			
21	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.			
22	SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.			
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Report Title:

Fireworks Control Law; Enforcement

Description:

Amends provisions of the of the fireworks control law to provide the counties more authority for enforcement.

