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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO NOISE.

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

SECTION 1. Section 342F-30.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

1. By amending its title to read:

"[~~§~~342F-30.8~~]~~ Leaf blowers; weed whackers; restrictions."

2. By amending subsection (a) to read:

"(a) In any urban land use district, as designated pursuant to section 205-2, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate a leaf blower or weed whacker within a residential zone or within one hundred feet of a residential zone in the State, except between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day except Sunday or a state or federal holiday, and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday or any state or federal holiday."

3. By amending subsections (d) and (e) to read:

"(d) Any county may adopt a rule or ordinance that places stricter limitations on the use of leaf blowers or weed whackers



1 than are in this section. In case of a conflict between the  
2 requirements or limitations of this section and any county rule  
3 or ordinance regarding the use of leaf blowers[7] or weed  
4 whackers, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.

5 (e) For the purposes of this section:

6 "Leaf blower" means any machine used to blow leaves, dirt,  
7 or other debris off sidewalks, driveways, lawns, and other  
8 surfaces.

9 "State holiday" means any day established as a state  
10 holiday in section 8-1.

11 "Weed whacker" means a gasoline or electric powered yard  
12 tool that uses either a flexible monofilament line (also known  
13 as a string or line trimmer) or revolving metal cutting blade  
14 intended to cut or trim grass and other vegetation."


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

18 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



# S.B. NO. 990

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

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INTRODUCED BY: 



# S.B. NO. 990

**Report Title:**

Weed Whacker; Noise Regulations; Additional Restrictions

**Description:**

Makes it unlawful for any non-government entity or agent thereof to operate a weed whacker in or within one hundred feet of a residential zone, except between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on most days. Defines weed whacker.

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