
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOBILE ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 291C-137, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

1. By amending subsection (d) to read:

"(d) The following persons shall be exempt from subsection (a):

(1) Emergency responders using a mobile electronic device while in the performance and scope of their official duties;

(2) Drivers using a two-way radio or a private Land Mobile Radio System, within the meaning of title 47 Code of Federal Regulations part 90, while in the performance and scope of their work-related duties and who are operating fleet vehicles or who possess a commercial vehicle license;

(3) Drivers holding a valid amateur radio operator license issued by the Federal Communications Commission and using a half-duplex two-way radio; or



(4) Drivers of vehicles that are at a complete stop[
~~while the engine is turned off, in a safe location by~~
~~the side of the road out of the way of traffic]."~~

2. By amending the definition of "operate" in subsection
(e) to read:

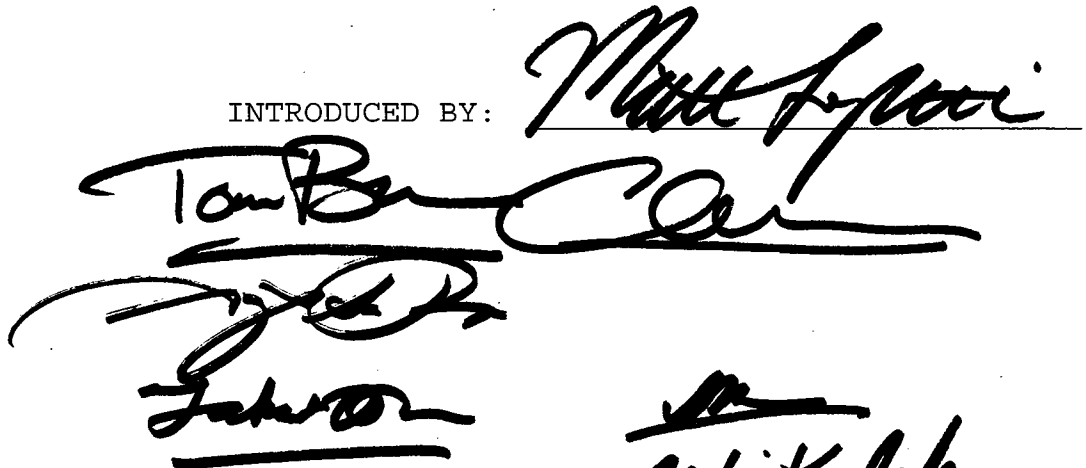
"Operate" a motor vehicle means to drive or assume actual
physical control of the vehicle upon a public way, street, road,
or highway[~~, including operation while temporarily stationary~~
~~because of traffic, a traffic light, or a stop sign]."~~

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

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
and stricken.

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

INTRODUCED BY:





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Report Title:

Mobile Electronic Devices; Use Permitted; Traffic Code

Description:

Permits the use of a mobile electronic device by the operator of a vehicle that is at a complete stop on a public way, street, road, or highway.

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