A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 291-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended as follows: 3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read: 4 "(a) No person shall stand in the bed or load-carrying 5 area of any motor vehicle commonly known as a pickup truck while 6 the vehicle is in operation. [No operator of any pickup truck 7 shall operate the vehicle with a passenger seated in the bed or 8 load carrying area of the vehicle unless: 9 (1) There is no seating available in the cab of the 10 vehicle; 11 (2) The side racks of the vehicle are securely attached 12 and the tailboard or tailgate is securely closed; 13 (3) Every passenger in the bed or load carrying area of 14 the vehicle is seated on the floor and does not 15 attempt to control unlashed cargo.] " 16 By amending subsections (c) and (d) to read:

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1	"(C)	No operator of any pickup truck may operate the
2	vehicle w	ith any passenger [twelve years of age or under] in the
3	bed or loa	ad-carrying area of the vehicle, unless one of the
4	following	applies:
5	(1)	An emergency exists that threatens the life of the
6		passenger being transported in the bed or load-
7		carrying area of the vehicle; or
8	(2)	The vehicle is being operated in parades, caravans, or
9		exhibitions [which] that are officially authorized or
10		otherwise permitted by law.
11	(d)	Any person who violates this section shall be subject
12	to a fine	of \$25 for each violation[; provided that any person
13	who violates subsection (c) shall be subject to a fine of \$50	
14	for each	separate violation]."
15	SECT	ION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
16	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Traffic Violations; Pickup Trucks; Passenger Restrictions

Description:

Repeals several exemptions from the prohibition on operating a pickup truck with a passenger seated in the bed or load-carrying area, including the exemption that allows passengers over twelve years of age to ride in the bed or load-carrying area. Reduces the fine for violating the prohibition. (SD1)

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