THE SENATE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2019 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 309

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 291-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 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.] exempt under
- 16 <u>subsection (c).</u>"
- 17 2. By amending subsections (c) and (d) to read:



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"(c) No operator of any pickup truck may operate the
 vehicle with any passenger [twelve years of age or under] in the
 bed or load-carrying area of the vehicle, unless one of the
 following applies:

5 (1) An emergency exists that threatens the life of the
6 passenger being transported in the bed or load7 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 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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### 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.

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