
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to authorize
2 counties to use fireworks license fees for costs related to
3 inspecting shipped containers of aerial devices at the time the
4 containers are opened. The costs will be funded by an increase
5 in fireworks license fees.

6 SECTION 2. Section 132D-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

8 "(a) The fee for the license required under section 132D-7
9 shall be [~~\$3,000~~] \$ _____ for importers, [~~\$2,000~~] \$ _____ for each
10 wholesaler's site, [~~\$1,000~~] \$ _____ for each storage site, and
11 [~~\$500~~] \$ _____ for each retailer's site for each year or fraction
12 of a year in which the licensee plans to conduct business and
13 shall be payable to the county. The license fees shall be used
14 solely by each county fire department to pay for the salary of
15 an auditor of fireworks and articles pyrotechnic records and all
16 expenses incurred, including the hiring of inspectors and other



1 staff to assist the auditor, to fulfill the duties required,
2 including the [~~inspection~~]:

- 3 (1) Inspection of inventory [~~and~~], including the
4 inspection of containers of aerial devices after they
5 have arrived in shipment, at the time the containers
6 are opened, to verify that the contents and amounts of
7 aerial devices shipped are consistent with the
8 applicable manifest and that the person receiving the
9 aerial devices has the proper license for those
10 contents and in that amount;
- 11 (2) Inspection of storage facilities[~~, maintenance~~];
- 12 (3) Maintenance of required records[~~7~~]; and [~~the training~~]
- 13 (4) Training of the auditor[~~7~~], inspectors, and other
14 staff.

15 The auditor shall monitor strict inventory and
16 recordkeeping requirements to ensure that sales of fireworks or
17 articles pyrotechnic are made only to license or permit holders
18 under this chapter. The county shall provide an exemption from
19 the fees under this section to nonprofit community groups for
20 importation and storage of fireworks or articles pyrotechnic for
21 displays once a year."



1 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
3 begun before its effective date.

4 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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Report Title:

Fireworks; Inspections; Licenses; Fees; Inspections

Description:

Increases fees imposed upon importers, wholesalers, storage sites, and retailers for licenses on fireworks. Authorizes counties to use fees for costs related to inspecting shipped containers of aerial devices when they are opened.

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