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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREARMS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Senate has some  
2 of the strongest gun safety laws in the nation, and in 2016  
3 Hawaii received an A-minus reading from the Giffords law center  
4 to prevent gun violence. Additionally, Hawaii had the lowest  
5 number of gun deaths per capita among the states of 2017,  
6 according to the centers for disease control and prevention.  
7 The legislature is committed to protecting the safety and well-  
8 being of its citizens. The fact that Hawaii still allows fifty  
9 caliber guns is inconsistent with this commitment.

10           The purpose of this Act is to amend the prohibition of  
11 certain weapons to include fifty caliber guns.

12           SECTION 2. Section 134-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

14           "(a) The manufacture, possession, sale, barter, trade,  
15 gift, transfer, or acquisition of any of the following is  
16 prohibited: assault pistols, except as provided by  
17 section 134-4(e); automatic firearms; rifles with barrel lengths



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1 less than sixteen inches; shotguns with barrel lengths less than  
2 eighteen inches; fifty caliber guns; cannons; mufflers,  
3 silencers, or devices for deadening or muffling the sound of  
4 discharged firearms; hand grenades, dynamite, blasting caps,  
5 bombs, or bombshells, or other explosives; or any type of  
6 ammunition or any projectile component thereof coated with  
7 teflon or any other similar coating designed primarily to  
8 enhance its capability to penetrate metal or pierce protective  
9 armor; and any type of ammunition or any projectile component  
10 thereof designed or intended to explode or segment upon impact  
11 with its target."

12 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY: 



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**Report Title:**

Firearms; Gun Safety; Fifty Caliber Guns

**Description:**

Amends HRS 134-8 to include fifty caliber guns in the list of prohibited weapons.

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