
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the use of aerial
2 fireworks during celebrations continues to cause significant
3 disruption and concern. The legislature believes that a
4 stronger deterrent is needed to curtail the use of illegal
5 fireworks. According to the 2011 Report of the Illegal
6 Fireworks Task Force to the Legislature for the Regular Session
7 of 2011, an increase in fines associated with illegal fireworks
8 may act as a stronger deterrent.

9 The purpose of this Act is to increase the maximum fine
10 that may be assessed against certain fireworks-related
11 violations.

12 SECTION 2. Section 132D-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

14 "(b) Except as provided in subsection (a) or as otherwise
15 specifically provided for in this chapter, any person violating
16 any other provision of this chapter[7] shall be fined [~~not~~] no
17 more than [~~\$2,000~~] \$5,000 for each violation. Notwithstanding



1 any provision to the contrary in this section, any person
2 violating section 132D-14.5 shall be fined at least \$500 and no
3 more than [~~\$2,000.~~] \$5,000."

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

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Illegal Fireworks; Fines

Description:

Increases from \$2,000 to \$5,000 the maximum fine that may be assessed against certain fireworks-related violations. (SD1)

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