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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LEAF BLOWERS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 342F-30.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           "~~{}~~ §342F-30.8 ~~{}~~ Leaf blowers; restrictions. (a) In any  
4 urban land use district, as designated pursuant to section  
5 205-2, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate a leaf  
6 blower within a residential zone or within one hundred feet of a  
7 residential zone in the State, except between the hours of  
8 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day except Sunday or a state or  
9 federal holiday, and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and  
10 6:00 p.m. on Sunday or any state or federal holiday~~{-}~~; provided  
11 that government entities, and agents acting on behalf of  
12 government entities, may use leaf blowers during the prohibited  
13 hours in the case of an emergency.

14           (b) Violators shall be fined \$50 for the first violation,  
15 \$100 for the second violation, \$200 for the third violation, and  
16 \$500 for each subsequent violation.



1       ~~[(e) Government entities, and agents acting on behalf of~~  
2 ~~government entities, shall not be subject to this section.~~

3       ~~(d)]~~ (c) Any county may adopt a rule or ordinance that  
4 places stricter limitations on the use of leaf blowers than are  
5 in this section. In case of a conflict between the requirements  
6 or limitations of this section and any county rule or ordinance  
7 regarding the use of leaf blowers, the more restrictive  
8 requirements shall apply.

9       ~~[(e)]~~ (d) For the purposes of this section:

10       "Leaf blower" means any machine used to blow leaves, dirt,  
11 or other debris off sidewalks, driveways, lawns, and other  
12 surfaces.

13       "Residential zone" includes residential districts,  
14 apartment districts, and business mixed use districts, as those  
15 terms may be used in state law or county ordinance.

16       "State holiday" means any day established as a state  
17 holiday in section 8-1."

18       SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20       SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Leaf Blowers; Residential Zones; Restriction; Government  
Agencies; Exemption; Repeal

**Description:**

Clarifies that the residential zone restriction on the use of  
leaf blowers at certain hours includes residential districts,  
apartment districts, and business mixed use districts. Removes  
the exemption on leaf blower restrictions for government  
agencies except in cases of emergency. Effective 1/1/2050.  
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