
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 illegal
2 fireworks has substantially increased in recent years.

3 The purpose of this Act is to:

4 (1) Require the fireworks and articles pyrotechnic records
5 auditor for each county to submit an annual report to
6 the legislature detailing inventory, recordkeeping,
7 and sales of fireworks to license or permit holders;
8 and

9 (2) Make a grant-in-aid to each county's fire department
10 to cover costs associated with reporting the
11 information to the legislature.

12 It is the intent of the legislature that the grants-in-aid
13 provided by this Act are to be in addition to, and not replace,
14 any funds provided to the counties.

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



1 "(a) The fee for the license required under section 132D-7
2 shall be \$3,000 for importers, \$2,000 for each wholesaler's
3 site, \$1,000 for each storage site, and \$500 for each retailer's
4 site for each year or fraction of a year in which the licensee
5 plans to conduct business and shall be payable to the county.
6 The license fees shall be used solely by each county fire
7 department to pay for the salary of an auditor of fireworks and
8 articles pyrotechnic records and all expenses incurred to
9 fulfill the duties required, including the inspection of
10 inventory and storage facilities, maintenance of required
11 records, and the training of the auditor. The auditor of
12 fireworks and articles pyrotechnic records shall monitor strict
13 inventory and recordkeeping requirements to ensure that sales of
14 fireworks or articles pyrotechnic are made only to license or
15 permit holders under this chapter. The auditor of fireworks and
16 articles pyrotechnic records shall submit an annual report to
17 the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening
18 of each regular session detailing the inventory, recordkeeping,
19 and sales of fireworks to license or permit holders. The county
20 shall provide an exemption from the fees under this section to



1 nonprofit community groups for importation and storage of
2 fireworks or articles pyrotechnic for displays once a year."

3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 as a
6 grant-in-aid for the purpose of reporting the information
7 required by section 2 of this Act, to be allocated to the
8 counties as follows:

9 (1) \$ to the city and county of Honolulu;

10 (2) \$ to the county of Maui;

11 (3) \$ to the county of Hawaii; and

12 (4) \$ to the county of Kauai.

13 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Fireworks; Audit; County Fire Departments; Annual Report; Grant-In-Aid

Description:

Requires the auditor of fireworks and articles pyrotechnic records for each county fire department to submit to the legislature an annual report detailing inventory, recordkeeping, and sales of fireworks to license or permit holders. Makes grants-in-aid to the counties to cover costs associated with reporting the information to the legislature. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)

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