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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 and that a stronger deterrent is needed
4 to curtail the use of illegal fireworks. According to the
5 Report of the Illegal Fireworks Task Force to the legislature
6 for the regular session of 2011, increasing fines associated
7 with illegal fireworks may act as a stronger deterrent.

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

10 "(b) Except as provided in subsection (a) or as otherwise
11 specifically provided for in this chapter, any person violating
12 any other provision of this chapter, shall be fined not more
13 than [~~\$2,000~~] \$5,000 for each violation. Notwithstanding any
14 provision to the contrary in this section, any person violating
15 section 132D-14.5 shall be fined at least \$500 and no more than
16 [~~\$2,000.~~] \$5,000."



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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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, 2022.

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INTRODUCED BY:



S.B. NO. 2923

Report Title:

Illegal Fireworks; Fines

Description:

Increases the maximum fine that may be assessed per fireworks-related violation from \$2,000 to \$5,000, provided that the fireworks violation does not otherwise have a specific penalty enumerated in statute.

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