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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. 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 fines that may

10 be assessed against certain fireworks-related violations.

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

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

17 Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this section,



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1	any person violating section 132D-14.5 shall be fined at least
2	[\$500] <u>\$</u> and [no] <u>not</u> more than [\$5,000.]
3	<u>\$</u> "
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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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.
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