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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOPEDS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that noise pollution is a
2 serious problem affecting quality of life, particularly in urban
3 areas. Loud internal combustion engine mopeds are significant
4 contributors that have raised ongoing concerns in communities
5 throughout the State. Mopeds with factory mufflers are often
6 many times louder than larger motorcycles that have greater
7 engine displacement and robust exhaust baffles.

8 The purpose of this Act is to, beginning January 1, 2025,
9 prohibit a retailer from selling or offering for sale any
10 combustion engine-powered moped unless the moped was initially
11 purchased in a consumer transaction prior to January 1, 2025.

12 SECTION 2. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately
14 designated and to read as follows:

15 "§286- Sale of new combustion engine-powered mopeds;
16 prohibited; civil penalty; enforcement. (a) Beginning
17 January 1, 2025, no retailer shall sell or offer for sale any



1 combustion engine-powered moped unless the moped was initially
2 purchased in a consumer transaction prior to January 1, 2025.

3 (b) This section shall not be construed to prohibit any
4 individual or retailer from reselling, renting, or offering for
5 resale or rent a combustion engine-powered moped that was
6 initially purchased in a consumer transaction prior to
7 January 1, 2025.

8 (c) Any person who violates this section shall be fined
9 not more than \$1,000 for each separate offense. Each violation
10 shall constitute a separate offense.

11 (d) For purposes of this section "retailer" means a person
12 or entity that engages in the practice of selling mopeds to
13 consumers."

14 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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S.B. NO. 24

Report Title:

Combustion Engine-Powered Mopeds; Sale; Prohibition; Penalty

Description:

Prohibits a retailer from selling or offering for sale combustion engine-powered mopeds beginning January 1, 2025.

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