
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AUDIBLE VEHICLE REVERSE WARNING SYSTEMS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 291, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§291- Audible reverse warning systems. (a) No state-
5 or county-owned vehicle purchased on or after January 1, 2028,
6 shall use an audible reverse warning system that emits a warning
7 sound other than one using broadband technology.

8 (b) The director of transportation may grant exemptions to
9 this section for a state or county-owned agency that has
10 demonstrated a good faith effort, to be determined by the
11 director of transportation, to implement a broadband warning
12 system but cannot due to unavailability.

13 (c) The director of transportation shall maintain a
14 continuously updated record of all exemptions granted under
15 subsection (b) The record of exemptions granted shall be made
16 publicly accessible and updated on a biannual basis. Reports
17 detailing exemptions granted shall be submitted to the



1 legislature thirty days prior to the convening of each regular
2 session and sixty days after adjournment sine die of each
3 regular session.

4 (d) For the purposes of this section, "vehicle" includes
5 earthmoving and compacting equipment such as scrapers, loaders,
6 crawler or wheel tractors, bulldozers, off-highway trucks,
7 graders, agricultural and industrial tractors, and similar
8 equipment."

9 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

Audible Reverse Warning Systems; Broadband Sound; Exemptions;
Report

Description:

Prohibits a state- or county-owned vehicle purchased on or after 1/1/2028, from using an audible reverse warning system that emits a warning sound other than one using broadband technology. Authorizes the Director of Transportation to grant exemptions under certain circumstances. Requires the Director of Transportation to maintain an updated record of all exemptions granted and a report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/3000.
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