

JAN 17 2025

# 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.

11           SECTION 2. Section 132D-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 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, shall be fined [~~no~~] not  
16 more than [~~\$5,000~~] \$\_\_\_\_\_ for each violation.

17 Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this section,



1 any person violating section 132D-14.5 shall be fined [~~at least~~  
2 ~~\$500~~] not less than \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and [~~no~~] not more than [~~\$5,000.~~]  
3 \$ \_\_\_\_\_."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  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 on July 1, 2025.

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INTRODUCED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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# S.B. NO. 476

**Report Title:**

Illegal Fireworks; Fines

**Description:**

Increases fines that may be assessed against certain fireworks-related violations. Effective 7/1/2025.

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