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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INSTALL AND  
UTILIZE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AT EACH STATE AIRPORT AND  
HARBOR TO SCAN FOR ILLEGAL FIREWORKS.

1 WHEREAS, the illegal importation and use of fireworks pose  
2 significant threats to public safety, property, and the  
3 environment in the State of Hawaii; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the presence of illegal fireworks contributes to  
6 hazardous conditions, including fires, injuries, and  
7 disturbances to residents and pets; and  
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9 WHEREAS, current enforcement measures have proven  
10 insufficient in preventing the unlawful entry of fireworks into  
11 the state; and  
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13 WHEREAS, improved screening methods at state airports and  
14 harbors would serve as a proactive measure to curb the influx of  
15 illegal fireworks; and  
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17 WHEREAS, modern electronic scanning equipment can detect  
18 contraband materials, including many types of explosives and  
19 fireworks; and  
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21 WHEREAS, implementing that scanning technology at state  
22 airports and harbors would enhance the ability of law  
23 enforcement and regulatory agencies to intercept and prevent the  
24 distribution of illegal fireworks; now, therefore,  
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26 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third  
27 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025,  
28 that the Department of Transportation is requested to install  
29 and utilize electronic scanning equipment at each state airport  
30 and harbor to scan for illegal fireworks; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation.

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5 OFFERED BY:

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