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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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

1       SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by  
2 adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read  
3 as follows:

4                               **"CHAPTER**

5                               **DIGITAL NAVIGATION APPLICATIONS**

6       §   -1 **Definitions.** As used in this chapter:

7       "Digital navigation application" means a software  
8 application using the Global Positioning System, digital maps,  
9 and routing algorithms to provide real-time, turn-by-turn  
10 guidance for users to find locations and optimize routes, and  
11 may include features like traffic updates and estimated time of  
12 arrival.

13       "Law enforcement agency" means the sheriff's office or a  
14 county police department.

15       "Law enforcement operation" means the set of activities by  
16 law enforcement agencies to enforce laws, prevent crime,  
17 investigate offenses, and maintain public order.



1        §    -2   **Prohibited indication of law enforcement location.**

2    (a)   No digital navigation application shall provide an alert,  
3    indication, or other type of notice to users of the presence of  
4    law enforcement personnel or a law enforcement operation at any  
5    specific location.

6        (b)   Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit  
7    a digital navigation application from alerting, indicating, or  
8    otherwise notifying users of an obstruction to traffic so long  
9    as there is no alert, indication, or other type of notice to  
10   users of the presence of law enforcement personnel or law  
11   enforcement operation at the location of the obstruction.

12        (c)   Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit  
13   the identification of law enforcement facilities, including  
14   police stations, on the digital navigation application's map.

15        §    -3   **Injunction; penalty.**    (a)   The attorney general or  
16   a county attorney may apply to the circuit court in the county  
17   in which a violation of section        -2 occurs for relief, and the  
18   court may issue a temporary injunction or a permanent injunction  
19   to restrain violations of section        -2.

20        (b)   Any digital navigation application violating an  
21   injunctive order to cease and desist from violating section        -2



1 shall be fined by a sum of no more than \$ , which sum  
2 shall be collected in a civil action brought by the attorney  
3 general or a county attorney. Each separate violation of any  
4 such order shall be a separate offense, except that in the case  
5 of a violation through continuing failure or neglect to obey a  
6 final order of the court, each day of continuance of such  
7 failure shall constitute a separate offense."

8 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on October 1, 2026.

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**Report Title:**

Digital Navigation Applications; Law Enforcement Location

**Description:**

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