## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE ALARM SYSTEMS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 291-24.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows: 3 " $\S291-24.6$  Motor vehicle alarm systems[ $\div$ ]; violation. "Motor vehicle alarm system" means any device that is designed 4 or used for the detection of an unauthorized entry into a motor 5 vehicle, or for alerting others to the commission of an unlawful act, or both, and that emits a sound when activated. 7 8 (b) If a motor vehicle alarm system installed in a motor 9 vehicle is activated and emits a sound [for more than five continuous minutes], the registered owner of the motor vehicle 10 11 shall be fined not more than \$100; provided that after the third 12 violation within a five-year period, the fine shall be: 13 (1) \$250 for the fourth violation; (2) \$375 for the fifth violation; and 14 15 (3) \$500 for a sixth or subsequent violation.

This subsection shall not apply to authorized emergency

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vehicles.

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1 Effective January 1, 2008, a motor vehicle alarm (c) 2 system shall not be installed in any motor vehicle in the State 3 except for an authorized emergency vehicle as defined in section 4 291C-1.  $[\frac{(c)}{(d)}]$  An offense under this section shall be a 5 6 violation for which a police officer shall issue a summons or 7 citation to the registered owner of the vehicle." 8 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were 9 10 begun, before its effective date. SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 12 13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 14

## Report Title:

Motor Vehicle Alarm Systems

## Description:

Prohibits motor vehicle alarm systems. Provides exception for authorized emergency vehicles.