## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 291, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated 2 3 and to read as follows: 4 "§291- Blue and red lights for division of conservation and resources enforcement vehicles. No person shall knowingly 5 6 operate, affix or cause to be affixed, display, or possess any 7 lamp, reflector, or illumination device that appears to be the 8 colors blue and red upon any motor vehicle, motorcycle, motor 9 scooter, bicycle, or moped, except for department of land and 10 natural resources, division of conservation and resources 11 enforcement vehicles that are authorized emergency vehicles, as 12 defined under section 291C-1. This prohibition shall not apply to factory-installed instrument illumination." 13 14 SECTION 2. Section 291C-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 15 amended by amending the definition of "authorized emergency

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vehicle" to read as follows:

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- 1 ""Authorized emergency vehicle" includes such fire
- 2 department vehicles, police vehicles, ambulances, and ocean
- 3 safety vehicles as are publicly owned, vehicles authorized
- 4 pursuant to section 291- , and [such] other publicly or
- 5 privately owned vehicles [as are] designated by the city or
- 6 county council."
- 7 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

## Report Title:

Emergency Vehicles

## Description:

Designates vehicles of the division of conservation and resources enforcement as authorized emergency vehicles. Authorizes emergency vehicles used by conservation and resources officers to have blue and red lights affixed to them. (SD1)