
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VEHICLE AUDIO EQUIPMENT.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 291, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§291- Aftermarket motor vehicle audio equipment,
5 excessive sound amplification prohibited. (a) No person shall
6 install, possess, or operate in any motor vehicle an in-dash or
7 mounted radio, tape, compact disc, digital video disc, or
8 digital music device other than the original equipment in which
9 there is:

- 10 (1) Five or more speakers, including subwoofers or any
11 other speakers not installed in the passenger
12 compartment;
13 (2) Any speaker exceeding one hundred watts power output;
14 (3) Any speaker exceeding six and one-half inches in width
15 or height; or
16 (4) Any speaker installed external to the passenger
17 compartment or in an open hatch back.



1 This section shall not apply to original manufacturer equipment
2 installed in the vehicle by the manufacturer or dealer.

3 (b) Any violation of this section shall constitute a
4 violation and shall be enforceable by police officers. The fine
5 for this violation shall be not less than \$25 nor more than \$250
6 for each separate offense. Any person who violates the
7 provisions of this section may be issued a summons or citation
8 for such violation."

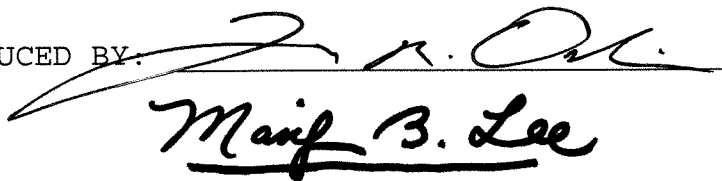
9 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
10 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
11 begun, before its effective date.

12 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

Noise Pollution; Vehicles; Excessive Sound Systems; Fine

Description:

Prohibits aftermarket car audio equipment with the potential to produce nuisance volume levels. Establishes fine for violation.

