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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 132D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§132D-    Illegal fireworks task force; established. (a)

5 There shall be established within the department of  
6 transportation for administrative purposes an illegal fireworks  
7 task force. The task force shall develop a plan and make  
8 recommendations to stop the importation of illegal fireworks and  
9 explosives to Hawaii and develop a strategy to ensure the safety  
10 and security of the airports, harbors, and other facilities and  
11 institutions in this State from the discharge of illegal  
12 fireworks and explosives.

13           (b) The illegal fireworks task force shall meet a minimum  
14 of five times between June 1, 2009, and December 31, 2009. The  
15 task force may continue to meet beyond December 31, 2009, if  
16 necessary.



1           (c) The department of transportation shall provide  
2 administrative support to the illegal fireworks task force.

3           (d) The chair of the illegal fireworks task force shall be

4 . Members of the task force may comprise  
5 representatives from the following organizations:

6           (1) Federal Bureau of Investigation;

7           (2) United States Drug Enforcement Agency;

8           (3) United States Coast Guard;

9           (4) Department of Homeland Security;

10          (5) Department of public safety;

11          (6) Department of transportation;

12          (7) Department of transportation harbors division;

13          (8) Department of transportation airports division;

14          (9) Department of defense;

15          (10) Department of the attorney general;

16          (11) Honolulu police department; and

17          (12) State fire council;

18 provided that the governor, the president of the senate, and  
19 the speaker of the house of representatives, shall each appoint  
20 one member in addition to those specified in paragraphs (1)  
21 through (12).



1        (e) The illegal fireworks task force shall submit a  
 2 preliminary plan and strategy report to the legislature no later  
 3 than January 10, 2010."

4        SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

5        SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Illegal Fireworks Task Force; Established; Illegal Explosives

**Description:**

Establishes an illegal fireworks task force to stop the importation of illegal fireworks and explosives. Requires the task force to report a preliminary plan to the legislature no later than January 10, 2010.

