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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTRIC GUNS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 134-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

3 "(c) This section shall not apply to law enforcement  
4 officers of county police [~~and sheriff~~] departments [~~of this~~  
5 ~~State~~], law enforcement officers of the department of public  
6 safety, and conservation and resources enforcement officers of  
7 the department of land and natural resources, or vendors  
8 providing electric guns to those entities; provided that  
9 electric guns shall at all times remain in the custody and  
10 control of the law enforcement officers of the county police [~~or~~  
11 ~~sheriff~~] departments[~~or~~], the law enforcement officers of the  
12 department of public safety, or the conservation and resources  
13 enforcement officers of the department of land and natural  
14 resources.

15 (d) The county police [~~and sheriff~~] departments of this  
16 State, the department of public safety, and the department of  
17 land and natural resources shall maintain records regarding



1 every electric gun in their custody and control. [~~Such~~] The  
2 records shall report every instance of usage of the electric  
3 guns; in particular, records shall be maintained in a similar  
4 manner as for those of discharging of firearms. The county  
5 police [~~and sheriff~~] departments, the department of public  
6 safety, and the department of land and natural resources shall  
7 annually report to the legislature regarding these records no  
8 later than twenty days before the beginning of each regular  
9 session[-] of the legislature."

10 SECTION 2. The department of land and natural resources  
11 and the department of public safety shall ensure that each of  
12 their respective law enforcement officers who are authorized to  
13 use an electric gun and related equipment shall first receive  
14 training from the manufacturer or from a manufacturer-approved  
15 training program, as well as by manufacturer-certified or  
16 approved instructors in the use of electric guns prior to  
17 deployment of the electric guns and related equipment in public.  
18 Training for department of land and natural resources and the  
19 department of public safety law enforcement officers authorized  
20 by this Act to use electric guns shall be done concurrently to  
21 ensure cost savings.



1 SECTION 3. The conservation and resources enforcement  
2 program of the department of land and natural resources shall  
3 obtain law enforcement accreditation or recognition from a  
4 nationally-recognized law enforcement accreditation or  
5 credentialing program in the use of electric guns by their law  
6 enforcement officers prior to purchasing electric guns and  
7 related equipment and prior to obtaining training for the use of  
8 the electric guns.

9 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

**Report Title:**  
Electric Guns

**Description:**

Authorizes law enforcement officers of the department of public safety and conservation and resources enforcement officers of the department of land and natural resources to use electric guns and related equipment while performing their duties. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB950 HD1)

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