
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STUDY AND DEVELOPMENT OF QUIETER ALTERNATIVES TO
BACK-UP BEEPERS AMONG DELIVERY TRUCKS.

1 WHEREAS, Waikiki is a world-famous destination for millions
2 of tourists annually, and is the home of more than 27,000
3 residents; and
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5 WHEREAS, tourists and residents enjoy the beauty and serene
6 environment of Waikiki, and that quality of life is ruined by
7 noise pollution in the morning and night hours; and
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9 WHEREAS, Waikiki produces many complaints of early morning
10 back-up beepers from delivery trucks, some going off as early as
11 5:30 a.m. as they unload goods at nearby grocery stores; and
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13 WHEREAS, efforts to require the delivery trucks' back-up
14 beepers to be disabled between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., and for the
15 delivery trucks to use either a rear-view camera or spotter in
16 its place, have not been successful; and
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18 WHEREAS, in testimony submitted in 2006 and 2007, the
19 Department of Transportation recommended a programmable switch
20 that allows delivery truck drivers to set any desired time
21 period of deactivation before beginning the backing maneuver;
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24 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health Division
25 of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) once
26 used to have rules and regulations regarding audible reverse
27 alarm systems, but those rules were eliminated; now, therefore,
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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
30 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
31 of 2011, that the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health Division
32 of DLIR is requested to study and develop quieter alternatives



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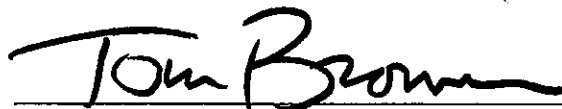
1 to delivery trucks' back-up beepers, including promoting the use
2 of programmable switches on the beepers; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in studying and developing
5 quieter alternatives the DLIR consider safety and liability
6 concerns; and
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the DLIR report to the
9 Legislature its findings and recommendations and progress in
10 developing quieter alternatives to delivery trucks' back-up
11 beepers no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the
12 Regular Session of 2012; and
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
15 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Labor and
16 Industrial Relations; the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health
17 Division; the Director of Business, Economic Development, and
18 Tourism; the Director of Transportation; and the Board of
19 Directors of the Hawaii Tourism Authority.
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