
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOPEDS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 291C-206, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "~~§~~291C-206 Modifying moped motor; removing speed limiter;
4 violation. (a) A [~~motor used to power a~~] moped shall not be
5 modified in any manner by the owner of the moped or by a moped
6 dealer or repair shop, including modifying a motor used to power
7 a moped or removing a speed limiter to increase the top speed
8 and horsepower, except as authorized by the motor manufacturer,
9 and any such modification shall not increase the power capacity
10 of the motor above two horsepower (one thousand four hundred
11 ninety-two watts).

12 (b) For purposes of this section, "speed limiter" means a
13 device used to limit the top speed of a vehicle.

14 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) Any [~~person~~] owner who violates this section
15 shall be fined not more than \$500. Violation of this section by
16 a moped dealer or repair shop shall constitute a petty
17 misdemeanor punishable by a fine under section 706-640(1)(e);
18 provided that a moped dealer or repair shop shall not be liable



1 under this section unless the moped dealer or repair shop is the
2 entity that makes the modification."

3 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
4 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
5 begun before its effective date.

6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Mopeds; Modification; Speed Limiter; Penalty

Description:

Prohibits the owner of a moped or a moped dealer or repair shop from modifying a moped, including removing a speed limiter, to increase the top speed and horsepower. Makes current fine applicable to moped owners. Increases penalty to a petty misdemeanor fine for a moped dealer or repair shop. Clarifies a moped dealer or repair shop will not be fined unless the dealer or shop is the entity that makes the modification. (SD1)

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