

JAN 17 2020

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 291-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

4 "(a) No person shall stand in the bed or load-carrying
5 area of any motor vehicle commonly known as a pickup truck while
6 the vehicle is in operation. No operator of any pickup truck
7 shall operate the vehicle with a passenger seated in the bed or
8 load-carrying area of the vehicle unless[+

9 ~~(1) There is no seating available in the cab of the~~
10 ~~vehicle;~~

11 ~~(2) The side racks of the vehicle are securely attached~~
12 ~~and the tailboard or tailgate is securely closed;~~

13 ~~(3) Every passenger in the bed or load carrying area of~~
14 ~~the vehicle is seated on the floor and does not~~
15 ~~attempt to control unlashd cargo.] exempt under~~
16 subsection (c)."

17 2. By amending subsections (c) and (d) to read:



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1 "(c) No operator of any pickup truck may operate the
 2 vehicle with any passenger [~~twelve years of age or under~~] in the
 3 bed or load-carrying area of the vehicle, unless one of the
 4 following applies:

5 (1) An emergency exists that threatens the life of the
 6 passenger being transported in the bed or load-
 7 carrying area of the vehicle; or

8 (2) The vehicle is being operated in parades, caravans, or
 9 exhibitions [~~which~~] that are officially authorized or
 10 otherwise permitted by law.

11 (d) Any person who violates this section shall be subject
 12 to a fine of \$25 for each violation[~~; provided that any person~~
 13 ~~who violates subsection (c) shall be subject to a fine of \$50~~
 14 ~~for each separate violation]."~~

15 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Traffic Violations; Pickup Trucks; Passenger Restrictions

Description:

Repeals several exemptions from the prohibition on operating a pickup truck with a passenger seated in the bed or load-carrying area, including the exemption that allows passengers over twelve years of age to ride in the bed or load-carrying area. Reduces the fine for violating the prohibition.

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