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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. The legislature finds that the transportation of  
2 fireworks to, from, and within the State requires the utilization  
3 of multiple modes or methods of transport, including but not  
4 limited to interstate maritime transportation and intrastate  
5 trucking. The legislature also finds that given the diversity of  
6 transportation processes and modes, it is essential to and in the  
7 best interest of the health and safety of first responders that  
8 the importation of fireworks shipments be thoroughly accounted for  
9 and reported.

10           The legislature finds that existing law requires licensed  
11 importers, wholesalers, and retailers to notify the county fire  
12 department when fireworks are shipped into the State. However,  
13 while the definition of "shipper" was added in statute during a  
14 previous legislative session, the requirements for shippers were  
15 not included. The legislature therefore finds that establishing  
16 reporting requirements for shippers will provide an additional  
17 level of safety and security, as well as ensure a more



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1 comprehensive tracking of all shipments of fireworks into the  
2 State.

3 The purpose of this Act is to add requirements for shippers who  
4 know of cargo that contain fireworks entering the State, to report  
5 those shipments to the county fire department.

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

9 "§132D- Requirements of shippers. (a) Any shipper that  
10 has knowledge of fireworks or articles pyrotechnic that are  
11 being imported into the State or transported between counties,  
12 shall notify the county fire department of the county to which  
13 the shipment is destined before the departure date, as to  
14 whether the shipment will be distributed from:

15 (1) Pier to pier;

16 (2) Pier to warehouse or storage facility; or

17 (3) Pier to redistribution.

18 (b) At the time shipping is booked, the shipper shall

19 notify the appropriate county fire department in writing of the  
20 expected shipment's landing date.



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1        (c) The fire department of a county, in which a shipment  
2 of fireworks or articles pyrotechnic has landed and becomes  
3 subject to the jurisdiction of the fire department, shall be  
4 allowed to inspect, if it chooses, any shipment declared on the  
5 shipping manifest as fireworks or articles pyrotechnic."

6        SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

State Fire Council Package; Fireworks; Shippers

**Description:**

Requires for shippers with knowledge they are transporting fireworks to notify the appropriate county fire department of the shipment into the State or between counties.

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