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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 use of aerial
- 2 fireworks during celebrations continues to cause significant
- 3 disruption and concern and that a stronger deterrent is needed
- 4 to curtail the use of illegal fireworks. According to the
- 5 Report of the Illegal Fireworks Task Force to the legislature
- 6 for the regular session of 2011, increasing fines associated
- 7 with illegal fireworks may act as a stronger deterrent.
- 8 SECTION 2. Section 132D-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
- 10 "(b) Except as provided in subsection (a) or as otherwise
- 11 specifically provided for in this chapter, any person violating
- 12 any other provision of this chapter, shall be fined not more
- 13 than [\$2,000] \$5,000 for each violation. Notwithstanding any
- 14 provision to the contrary in this section, any person violating
- 15 section 132D-14.5 shall be fined at least \$500 and no more than
- **16** [\$2,000.] \$5,000."

- 1 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 3 begun before its effective date.
- 4 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

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INTRODUCED BY:

# S.B. NO. **862**

### Report Title:

Illegal Fireworks; Fines

### Description:

Increases the maximum fine that may be assessed per fireworks-related violation from \$2,000 to \$5,000, provided that the fireworks violation does not otherwise have a specific penalty enumerated in statute.

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