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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GOLF COURSES AND DRIVING RANGES.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 663, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:  
4           "§663-           Golf courses and driving ranges; strictly  
5 liable. Owners and operators of a golf course or driving range  
6 shall be held strictly liable for any property damage to  
7 surrounding residential properties by golf balls hit by golf  
8 course or driving range patrons while participating in  
9 activities on the golf course or driving range unless the owners  
10 and operators can show that they took reasonable steps, such as  
11 the installation and maintenance of netting no less than  
12                           feet in height, to prevent golf balls from leaving  
13 the golf course or driving range."

14           SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
15 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
16 begun before its effective date.

17           SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.



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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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# H.B. NO. 2194

**Report Title:**

Golf Courses and Driving Ranges; Strict Liability; Tort Law

**Description:**

Makes owners and operators of golf courses and driving ranges strictly liable for property damage to surrounding residential properties caused by golf balls hit by patrons of the golf course or driving range unless the owners and operators can show they took reasonable steps to prevent golf balls from leaving the golf course or driving range.

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