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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       The purpose of this Act is to increase the generally  
9 applicable statutory fine and the fine for homeowner liability  
10 under the Fireworks Control Law from \$2,000 to \$5,000.

11       SECTION 2. Section 132D-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

13       "(b) Except as provided in subsection (a) or as otherwise  
14 specifically provided for in this chapter, any person violating  
15 any other provision of this chapter, shall be fined ~~not~~ no  
16 more than ~~[\$2,000]~~ \$5,000 for each violation. Notwithstanding  
17 any provision to the contrary in this section, any person



1 violating section 132D-14.5 shall be fined at least \$500 and no  
2 more than [~~\$2,000.~~] \$5,000."

3 SECTION 3. 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 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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**Report Title:**

Illegal Fireworks; Fireworks Control Act; Fines

**Description:**

Increases the generally applicable fine and the fine for homeowner liability under the Fireworks Control Act from \$2,000 to \$5,000. Effective 7/1/2022. (CD1)

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