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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NOISE.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 342F-30.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended as follows:

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

4           " ~~[+] §342F-30.8 [±]~~ **Leaf blowers; weed whackers;**  
5 **restrictions.** (a) In any urban land use district, as  
6 designated pursuant to section 205-2, it shall be unlawful for  
7 any person to operate a leaf blower or weed whacker within a  
8 residential zone or within one hundred feet of a residential  
9 zone in the State, except between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and  
10 6:00 p.m. on any day except Sunday or a state or federal  
11 holiday, and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on  
12 Sunday or any state or federal holiday."

13           2. By amending subsections (d) and (e) to read:

14           "(d) Any county may adopt a rule or ordinance that places  
15 stricter limitations on the use of leaf blowers or weed whackers  
16 than are in this section. In case of a conflict between the  
17 requirements or limitations of this section and any county rule



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1 or ordinance regarding the use of leaf blowers<sup>[7]</sup> or weed  
2 whackers, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.

3 (e) For the purposes of this section:

4 "Leaf blower" means any machine used to blow leaves, dirt,  
5 or other debris off sidewalks, driveways, lawns, and other  
6 surfaces.

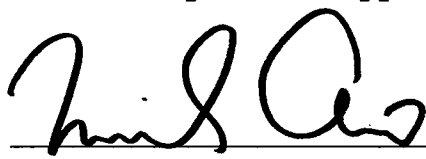
7 "State holiday" means any day established as a state  
8 holiday in section 8-1.

9 "Weed whacker" means a gasoline or electric powered yard  
10 tool that uses either a flexible monofilament line (also known  
11 as a string or line trimmer) or revolving metal cutting blade  
12 intended to cut or trim grass and other vegetation."

13 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

Weed Whacker; Noise Regulations; Additional Restrictions

**Description:**

Makes it unlawful for any non-government entity or agent thereof to operate a weed whacker in or within one hundred feet of a residential zone, except between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on most days. Defines weed whacker.

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