A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREARMS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 134-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 3 The manufacture, possession, sale, barter, trade, gift, transfer, or acquisition of any of the following is 4 5 prohibited: assault pistols, except as provided by section 134-4(e); automatic firearms; rifles with barrel lengths less 6 than sixteen inches; shotguns with barrel lengths less than 7 8 eighteen inches; any firearm or rifle with the capacity to fire 9 ammunition of fifty caliber or higher; cannons; mufflers, silencers, or devices for deadening or muffling the sound of 10 11 discharged firearms; hand grenades, dynamite, blasting caps, 12 bombs, or bombshells, or other explosives; or any type of ammunition or any projectile component thereof coated with 13 14 [teflon] Teflon or any other similar coating designed primarily to enhance its capability to penetrate metal or pierce 15

protective armor; and any type of ammunition or any projectile

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- 1 component thereof designed or intended to explode or segment
- 2 upon impact with its target.
- 3 For purposes of this subsection:
- 4 "Firearm or rifle with the capacity to fire ammunition of
- 5 fifty caliber of higher" does not include antique pistols,
- 6 antique revolvers, or muzzleloaders.
- 7 "Muzzleloaders" means any rifle, pistol, or shotgun that
- 8 loads from the muzzle, or the open end of a weapon, from which
- 9 the ammunition is discharged."
- 10 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

Report Title:

Firearms; Gun Safety; High Caliber Guns

Description:

Includes any firearm or rifle with the capacity to fire ammunition of fifty caliber or higher, excluding antique pistols and revolvers, and muzzleloaders, in the list of prohibited weapons. Effective 1/1/2026. (SD1)

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