

JOSH GREEN, M.D.
GOVERNOR
KE KIA'ĀINA



GOV. MSG. NO. 1347

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

June 30, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate,
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Nadine Nakamura
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 30, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. NO. 550, H.D. 2,
S.D. 1, C.D. 1

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.
ACT 244

Mahalo,

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Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor

on JUN 30 2025

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 244
H.B. NO. 550
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 132D-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§132D-20 Enforcement; probable cause for arrest.** (a)

4 This chapter shall be enforced by the department of law
5 enforcement or each county. The department of law enforcement
6 and counties, or both, are authorized to enforce and administer
7 the provisions of this chapter.

8 (b) Arrests for offenses under this chapter or under a
9 county fireworks ordinance shall be made in compliance with
10 chapter 803. The facts and circumstances to establish probable
11 cause for an arrest may include but are not limited to:

12 (1) Statements from individuals who witnessed the offense,
13 even if those individuals are not law enforcement
14 officers; and

15 (2) Photographs, video recordings, or other recordings
16 that show the commission of the offense and can be
17 authenticated by one or more witnesses; provided that



1 a recording made using an unmanned aerial vehicle
2 shall be exempt from the requirement of authentication
3 by one or more witnesses.

4 (c) Video recordings or other recordings made by a law
5 enforcement agency using, controlling, or operating an unmanned
6 aerial vehicle may be used to establish probable cause pursuant
7 to chapter 803 for an arrest if:

8 (1) The unmanned aerial vehicle is recording directly
9 above a public park, street, sidewalk, or easement, or
10 any public property; and

11 (2) The act leading to the arrest is committed on a public
12 park, street, sidewalk, or easement, or any public
13 property.

14 (d) For the purposes of this [subsection+] section:

15 "Other recording" includes any photograph or a video made
16 using an unmanned aerial vehicle.

17 "Unmanned aerial vehicle" means any aerial vehicle that is
18 operated without the possibility of direct human intervention
19 within or on the aerial vehicle. ~~[The term "unmanned"]~~ "Unmanned
20 aerial vehicle" does not include a remote-controlled airplane."



- 1 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



H.B. NO. 550
H.D. 2
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

APPROVED this 30th day of June , 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon Gruenewald". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a stylized "G".

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 550, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2025
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025.



Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker
House of Representatives




Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives


THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 30, 2025
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate
of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2025.



President of the Senate



Clerk of the Senate