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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 it reasonable to allow  
2 the use of fireworks for movie, television, and theatrical  
3 productions upon the issuance of a valid permit and to authorize  
4 law enforcement agencies to take necessary steps to test,  
5 dispose of, or destroy seized or impounded illegal fireworks.

6           The purpose of this Act is to amend current state fireworks  
7 law by clarifying that the use of fireworks by permit for movie,  
8 television, or theatrical productions and the removal of  
9 pyrotechnic material from or ignition, setting off, discharge,  
10 or explosion of fireworks by law enforcement to test, dispose  
11 of, or destroy illegal fireworks do not violate state  
12 prohibitions.

13           SECTION 2. Section 132D-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15           " [†] §132D-6 [†] **Exceptions.** The prohibitions in section  
16 132D-5 do not apply to:



- 1           (1) The use of flares, noisemakers, or signals for  
2           warning, pest control, or illumination purposes by  
3           police and fire departments, utility companies,  
4           transportation agencies, and other governmental or  
5           private agencies or persons, including agricultural  
6           operations, in connection with emergencies, their  
7           duties, or business; [~~and~~]
- 8           (2) The sale or use of blank cartridges for a show or  
9           theater, or for signal, commercial, or institutional  
10          purposes in athletics or sports [~~-~~];
- 11          (3) The purchase and use of consumer fireworks, aerial  
12          devices, display fireworks, or articles pyrotechnic:
  - 13          (A) In a movie, television production, or theatrical  
14          production for which valid permits have been issued  
15          by a county pursuant to section 132D-10; and
  - 16          (B) In a movie or television production for which  
17          valid permits have been issued by the department  
18          of business, economic development, and tourism  
19          pursuant to section 201-14, or for which permits  
20          have been approved by the authority having  
21          jurisdiction; and



1        (4) The testing, disposal, or destruction of illegal  
2        fireworks by an agency with authority to enforce this  
3        chapter."

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

6        SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



**Report Title:**

Fireworks; Movie, Television, and Theatrical Productions;  
Disposal and Destruction

**Description:**

Clarifies the authorization of the use of fireworks by permit for movie, television, and theatrical productions and for activities for testing, disposal, and destruction of illegal fireworks by law enforcement. Allows the jurisdictional authority to approve the purchase and use of consumer fireworks, aerial devices, display fireworks, or articles pyrotechnic for movie and television productions. (SD2)

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