
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NOISE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that private refuse
2 companies are unregulated in their hours of operation which
3 results in the pick up of refuse as early as 4:45 a.m. In dense
4 residential areas, this activity produces high-volume noise that
5 disturbs residents during unreasonable times of the day.
6 Furthermore, refuse pickup occurs at later hours in the day,
7 including between peak rush-hour morning hours, and therefore
8 this activity should be limited to certain times for the health
9 and well-being of residents.

10 The purpose of this Act is to limit the operation of refuse
11 collection vehicles near or within residential zones to
12 specified collection times.

13 SECTION 2. Chapter 342F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
15 and to read as follows:

16 "§342F- Refuse collection vehicles; restrictions. (a)

17 In any urban district in the State, as designated pursuant to



1 section 205-2, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate a
2 refuse collection vehicle within a residential zone or within
3 one hundred feet of a residential zone, except between the hours
4 of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on any weekday and Saturday, and
5 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on Sunday and any
6 state or federal holiday.

7 (b) Notwithstanding section 342F-9(b), violators shall be
8 fined \$500 for each violation.

9 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to preempt
10 or prohibit any county in the State to regulate the use of
11 refuse collection vehicles in a manner that is more stringent
12 than the provisions contained in this section. In the event of
13 a conflict between the requirements of this section and any
14 county rule or ordinance regarding the use of refuse collection
15 vehicles, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.

16 (d) For the purpose of this section:

17 "Refuse collection vehicle" means any industrial vehicle
18 with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than _____ pounds that
19 is used to collect and transport garbage or other refuse items.

20 "State holiday" means any day established as a state
21 holiday under section 8-1."



1 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

2 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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Report Title:

Noise; Refuse Collection Vehicles; Restrictions; Penalties

Description:

Prohibits the operation of refuse collection vehicles near or within residential zones except between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on any weekday and Saturday, and between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on Sunday and any state or federal holiday.

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