A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOPEDS.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that noise pollution is a serious problem affecting quality of life, particularly in urban areas. Loud internal combustion engine mopeds are significant contributors that have raised ongoing concerns in communities throughout the State. Mopeds with factory mufflers are often many times louder and noisier than larger motorcycles that have greater engine displacement and robust exhaust baffles.

The purpose of this Act is to, beginning January 1, 2022, prohibit a retailer from selling or offering for sale any combustion engine-powered moped unless the moped was initially purchased in a consumer transaction prior to January 1, 2022.

SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new chapter to title 17 to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"CHAPTER

MOPEDS

§ -1 Definitions. For purposes of this chapter:
"Moped" shall have the same meaning as that term is defined in section 286-2.

"Retailer" means a person or entity that engages in the practice of selling mopeds to consumers.

§ -2 Sale of new combustion engine-powered mopeds; prohibited. (a) Beginning January 1, 2022, no retailer shall sell or offer for sale any combustion engine-powered moped unless the moped was initially purchased in a consumer transaction prior to January 1, 2022.

(b) This section shall not be construed to prohibit any individual or retailer from reselling, renting, or offering for resale or rent a combustion engine-powered moped that was initially purchased in a consumer transaction prior to January 1, 2022.

§ -3 Civil penalty; enforcement. Any person who violates this chapter shall be fined not more than $1,000 for each separate offense. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense."

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on June 18, 2050.
Report Title:
Combustion Engine-powered Mopeds; Sale; Prohibition; Penalty

Description:
Prohibits a retailer from selling or offering for sale combustion engine-powered mopeds beginning January 1, 2022. Effective 6/18/2050. (SD2)

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