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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE ALARM SYSTEMS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 291C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "§291C- Motor vehicle alarms systems; required
- 5 technology. (a) Effective July 1, 2008, no manufacturer of a
- 6 motor vehicle alarm system may cause to be sold or distributed
- 7 in the State a motor vehicle alarm system that does not possess
- 8 a component or device that electronically notifies the
- 9 registered owner of the motor vehicle that the alarm has been
- 10 activated for more than three continuous minutes.
- 11 (b) Effective July 1, 2008, no registered owner of a motor
- 12 vehicle equipped with an alarm system that does not possess a
- 13 component or device that electronically notifies the registered
- 14 owner that the alarm has been activated for more than three
- 15 continuous minutes shall operate a motor vehicle on the public
- 16 highways, until the alarm system has been removed or the motor
- 17 vehicle has been retrofitted with an alarm system that

- 1 electronically notifies the registered owner that the alarm has
- 2 been activated for more than three continuous minutes.
- 3 (c) Any person who violates this section shall be subject
- 4 to the penalties set forth in section 291C-161."
- 5 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 6 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 7 begun, before its effective date.
- 8 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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Report Title:

Motor Vehicles; Alarms

Description:

Prohibits motor vehicle alarm manufacturers from causing to be sold in the State alarm systems that cannot electronically notify the motor vehicle owner that the alarm is being activated. Prohibits motor vehicle owners from operating a vehicle that lacks electronic notification capability. Subjects violators to traffic code penalties.