



GOV.MSG. NO. 1280

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'AINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D.
GOVERNOR
KE KIA'AINA

July 2, 2024

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

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 2, 2024, the following bill was signed into law:

SB3011 SD2 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO NOISE.
ACT 179

Sincerely,

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

on JUL 2 2024
THE SENATE

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 179
3011

S.B. NO. 3011
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C.D.1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NOISE.

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

SECTION 1. Section 342F-30.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended as follows:

1. By amending its title and subsection (a) to read:

"~~[§342F-30.8]~~ **Leaf blowers; weed whackers**
restrictions. (a) In any urban land use district, as designated pursuant to section 205-2, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate a leaf blower or weed whacker within a residential zone or within one hundred feet of a residential zone in the State, except between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and ~~[6:00]~~ 7:00 p.m. on any day except Sunday or a state or federal holiday, and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and ~~[6:00]~~ 7:00 p.m. on Sunday or any state or federal holiday~~[-]~~; provided that government entities, and agents acting on behalf of government entities, may use weed whackers during the prohibited hours in the case of an emergency as defined in section 127A-2."

2. By amending subsections (c) through (e) to read:

1 "(c) Government entities, and agents acting on behalf of
2 government entities, shall not be subject to this section[~~-~~] as
3 it applies to leaf blowers.

4 (d) Any county may adopt a rule or ordinance that places
5 stricter limitations on the use of leaf blowers or weed whackers
6 than are in this section. In case of a conflict between the
7 requirements or limitations of this section and any county rule
8 or ordinance regarding the use of leaf blowers[, or weed
9 whackers, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.

10 (e) For the purposes of this section:

11 "Leaf blower" means any machine used to blow leaves, dirt,
12 or other debris off sidewalks, driveways, lawns, and other
13 surfaces.

14 "State holiday" means any day established as a state
15 holiday in section 8-1.

16 "Weed whacker" means a gasoline or electric powered yard
17 tool that uses either a flexible monofilament line (also known
18 as a string or line trimmer) or revolving metal cutting blade
19 intended to cut or trim grass and other vegetation.¹¹

20 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



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APPROVED this **2nd** day of **July**, 2024


GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: May 1, 2024
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate
of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2024.


President of the Senate


Clerk of the Senate

SB No. 3011, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 1, 2024
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2024.

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Saiki'.

Scott K. Saiki
Speaker
House of Representatives

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brian L. Takeshita'.

Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives