

1 (1) A balloon released for scientific or meteorological purposes, on behalf of a
2 governmental agency or pursuant to a governmental contract;

3 (2) A hot air balloon that is recovered after launching; or

4 (3) A balloon that is released and remains indoors.

5 **23-95-2. Penalties.**

6 Any person or entity who violates this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of one
7 hundred dollars (\$100) for a first offense and up to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for a second
8 or subsequent offense.

9 **23-95-3. Regulations.**

10 The department of environmental management shall promulgate rules and regulations as
11 may be necessary to implement and carry out the provisions of this chapter.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on November 1, 2021.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- BALLOONS

1 This act would prohibit the intentional simultaneous release of ten (10) or more balloons
2 inflated with lighter-than-air gas. The prohibition would not apply to: a balloon released for
3 scientific or metrological purposes on behalf of a governmental agency or pursuant to a
4 governmental contract; a hot air balloon that is recovered after launching; or a balloon that is
5 released and remains indoors. A person or entity who violates this provision would be subject to a
6 civil penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100) for a first offense and up to two hundred fifty dollars
7 (\$250) for a second or subsequent offense.

8 This act would take effect on November 1, 2021.

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