
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that bicycling is growing
2 in importance as a mode of transportation. Bicycling has many
3 benefits, including: improved mobility, especially for those
4 who cannot or choose not to drive; lower road maintenance costs;
5 less traffic congestion; less road widening and fewer parking
6 lots; improved air quality; and improved health and reduced
7 health costs. With rising gasoline prices, many people are
8 looking for an alternative method of transportation. It is far
9 less expensive to operate a bicycle than to operate an
10 automobile.

11 The purpose of this Act is to ensure the implementation of
12 a safe, continuous, and coordinated system of bikeways by
13 earmarking a percentage of department of transportation funds
14 for bikeways.

15 SECTION 2. Section 248-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 "**§248-9 State highway fund.** (a) Moneys in the state
18 highway fund may be expended for the following purposes:



1 (1) To pay the costs of operation, maintenance, and repair
2 of the state highway system, including without
3 limitation, the cost of equipment and general
4 administrative overhead;

5 (2) To pay the costs of acquisition (including real
6 property and interests therein), planning, designing,
7 construction, and reconstruction of the state highway
8 system~~[7]~~ and bikeways, including, without limitation,
9 the cost of equipment and general administrative
10 overhead; provided that the director of transportation
11 shall allot and expend per cent of moneys in the
12 state highway fund for bikeways; and

13 (3) To reimburse the general fund for interest on and
14 principal of general obligation bonds issued to
15 finance highway projects where the bonds are
16 designated to be reimbursable out of the state highway
17 fund.

18 (b) At any time the director of transportation may
19 transfer from the state highway fund all or any portion of
20 available moneys determined by the director of transportation to
21 be in excess of one hundred thirty-five per cent of the
22 requirements for the ensuing twelve months for the state highway



1 fund as permitted by and in accordance with section 37-53. For
2 purposes of the determination, the director of transportation
3 shall take into consideration:

4 (1) The amount of federal funds and bond funds on deposit
5 in, and budgeted to be expended from, the state
6 highway fund during the period;

7 (2) Amounts on deposit in the state highway fund which are
8 encumbered or otherwise obligated;

9 (3) Budgeted amounts payable from the state highway fund
10 during the period;

11 (4) Revenues anticipated to be received by and
12 expenditures to be made from the state highway fund
13 during the period based on existing agreements and
14 other information for the ensuing twelve months; and

15 (5) Any other factors as the director of transportation
16 shall deem appropriate."

17 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Description:

Earmarks a percentage of moneys from the state highway fund for bikeways.

