A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAFFIC.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the establishment of
- 2 a highway patrol is essential to increase the law enforcement
- 3 effectiveness for the statewide traffic code, particularly
- 4 speeding. The legislature believes that a specialized division
- 5 of the county police departments to handle traffic violations
- 6 would be ideal for this purpose.
- 7 The purpose of this Act is to add the establishment of a
- 8 highway patrol division to accomplish the purposes of the
- 9 highway fund expenditures in counties having a population
- 10 exceeding five hundred thousand.
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 249-18, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 "S249-18 Highway fund. All taxes collected under this
- 14 chapter, except those collected pursuant to sections 249-14 and
- 15. 249-14.5, shall be deposited in a fund to be known as the
- 16 "highway fund" and shall be expended in the county in which the
- 17 taxes are collected for the following purposes:



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1	(1)	For acquisition, designing, construction, improvement,
2		repair, and maintenance of public roads and highways,
3		including without restriction of the foregoing
4		purposes, costs of new land therefor, of permanent
5		storm drains or new bridges, as well as repairs or
6		additions to storm drains or bridges;
7	(2)	For installation, maintenance, and repair of street
8		lights and power, and other charges for street
9		lighting purposes, including replacement of old street
10		lights, on county maintained public roads and
11		highways;
12	(3)	For purposes and functions connected with traffic
13		control and preservation of safety upon the public
14		highways and streets;
15	(4)	For payment of interest on and redemption of bonds
16		issued to finance highway and street construction and
17		improvements;
18	(5)	In the case of [the city and county of Honolulu,] any
19		county having a population in excess of five hundred
20		thousand, for appropriation for the police department
21		up to the sum of \$500,000. In the case of any county
22		having a population in excess of five hundred



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1		thousand, \$ annually to establish and		
2		operate a highway patrol division; provided that:		
3		(A)	One hundred per cent of the appropriated moneys	
4			shall be used for the highway patrol division;	
5			and	
6		<u>(B)</u>	The solo bike officers in the division shall work	
7			exclusively for that division, except in case of	
8			emergency.	
9		No expenditures shall be made out of this fund which		
10		will	jeopardize federal aid for highway construction;	
11	(6)	For	purposes and functions connected with mass	
12		tran	sit; and	
13	(7)	For	the acquisition, design, construction,	
14		impr	ovement, repair, and maintenance of bikeways."	
15	SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed			
16	and stric	ken.	New statutory material is underscored.	
17	SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.			
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			INTRODUCED BY: Town With	
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Report Title:

County Highway Patrols

Description:

Provides that part of highway fund moneys must be expended on highway patrols by the police department of any county with a population of more than 500,000.

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