
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 291C-152, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**[§291C-152] Riding on motorcycles.** (a) A person
4 operating a motorcycle shall ride only upon the permanent and
5 regular seat attached thereto, and such operator shall not carry
6 any other person nor shall any other person ride on a motorcycle
7 unless the motorcycle is designed to carry more than one person,
8 in which event a passenger may ride upon the permanent and
9 regular seat if designed for two persons, or upon another seat
10 firmly attached to the motorcycle at the rear or side of the
11 operator.

12 (b) A person shall ride upon a motorcycle only while
13 sitting astride the seat, facing forward, with one leg on each
14 side of the motorcycle. This subsection shall not apply to
15 motorcycles with more than two wheels in contact with the
16 ground, provided that the person shall operate the motorcycle
17 while riding upon the attached seat and facing forward.



1 (c) No person shall operate a motorcycle while carrying
2 any package, bundle, or other article which prevents the person
3 from keeping both hands on the handlebars or other steering
4 mechanism.

5 (d) No operator shall carry any person, nor shall any
6 person ride, in a position that will interfere with the
7 operation or control of the motorcycle or the view of the
8 operator."

9 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Motor vehicles

Description:

Clarifies that motorcycles with more than two wheels in contact with the ground may be ridden without sitting astride a seat, so long as the rider is facing forward in the attached seat.

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