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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COUNTY VEHICULAR TAXES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that most of the  
2 senseless bicycle injuries and deaths on Hawai'i roadways are  
3 preventable. Roadway fatalities continue to be a major concern  
4 for our State. Act 54, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, requires  
5 the department of transportation and county transportation  
6 departments to adopt complete streets policies that seek to  
7 reasonably accommodate convenient access and mobility for all  
8 users of the public highways within their respective  
9 jurisdictions, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users,  
10 motorists, and persons of all ages and abilities. Biking is a  
11 viable transportation option that also improves health and  
12 quality of life.

13           The legislature further finds that the depressed economy  
14 has substantially stalled the State's ability to move forward on  
15 many of the projects that have been planned. Consequently, new  
16 avenues of funding are being explored.



1           The purpose of this Act is to establish an annual bicycle  
2 and moped registration renewal fee to augment the moneys in the  
3 bikeway fund under section 249-17.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

4           SECTION 2. Section 249-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

6           "(a) Bicycles having two tandem wheels that are twenty  
7 inches or more in diameter and all mopeds are required to be  
8 registered and shall be subject to [~~a permanent~~] an annual  
9 registration fee of \$15, to be paid by the owners thereof to the  
10 director of finance.

11           Upon application by the registered owner, every  
12 registration issued under this subsection shall be renewed  
13 annually before October 1 of each year and expire at midnight on  
14 December 31 of each year immediately following payment of the  
15 annual registration fee.

16           (b) An owner of a bicycle having two tandem wheels that  
17 are less than twenty inches in diameter is not required to  
18 register such bicycle, but may do so to facilitate the return of  
19 recovered stolen bicycles by payment of the registration fee.  
20 The fee collected shall not be refunded or prorated.

21           Upon receipt of the fee, the director of finance shall  
22 number and register each bicycle and moped for which the fee is



1 paid, in the owner's name and furnish the owner with a metallic  
2 tag or decal for each bicycle or moped which shall be attached  
3 to the bicycle or moped. The tag or decal shall bear a serial  
4 number and the year of registration.

5 On bicycles the decal shall be affixed to the upright post  
6 attached to the sprocket facing in the forward direction. On  
7 mopeds the decal shall be affixed to the lower portion of the  
8 rear fender facing rearward.

9 Upon initial registration by an owner or transferee, the  
10 director of finance shall require proof of ownership and require  
11 the owner to furnish verification of the serial number and  
12 description contained in the proof of ownership and application  
13 for registration. The metallic tags or decals shall be in a  
14 form as the director of finance shall from time to time  
15 prescribe. It shall be the duty of the director of finance of  
16 each county to purchase a sufficient number of these tags or  
17 decals."

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

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

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**Report Title:**

Transportation; Bicycle and Moped Fee

**Description:**

Requires annual bicycle and moped registration renewal fee.

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