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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted  
3 and to read as follows:

4 "After market motorcycle frame" means a frame that is  
5 manufactured to replace the frame of a motorcycle that was  
6 certified by its manufacturer to be in compliance with all  
7 applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards as of the date  
8 of manufacture, or the frame of a homemade motorcycle that was  
9 manufactured not for profit by a person who built the motorcycle  
10 as a hobby."

11 SECTION 2. Section 286-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

13 "(a) The county director of finance shall examine and to  
14 the best of the director's ability determine the genuineness and  
15 regularity of every registration and transfer of registration of  
16 a vehicle as in this part provided, in order that every  
17 certificate issued for a vehicle shall contain true statements  
18 of the ownership thereof, and to prevent the registration of a



1 vehicle by any person not entitled thereto, and the director of  
2 finance may require any applicant to furnish [~~such~~] the  
3 information, in addition to that contained in the application,  
4 as may be necessary to satisfy the director of finance of the  
5 truth and regularity of the application. The director of  
6 finance may accept any county certificate of title issued for a  
7 vehicle as prima facie evidence of ownership for registration  
8 and transfer of registration. The director may issue vehicle  
9 identification numbers for reconstructed vehicles, special  
10 interest vehicles, or motorcycles, which do not have vehicle  
11 identification numbers if the director determines that the  
12 requirements of this section have been met.

13 The county director of finance may register a motorcycle  
14 with an after market motorcycle frame, using the [~~vehicle~~  
15 ~~identification~~] number of the frame as issued by the [~~incomplete~~  
16 ~~vehicle~~] manufacturer of the frame[~~-~~], the vehicle  
17 identification number on the certification label, or a vehicle  
18 identification number assigned by the county director of  
19 finance. A bill of sale and [~~Manufacturers Statement of Origin~~]  
20 manufacturers statement of origin for the frame, engine, and  
21 transmission must be presented and retained as a part of the  
22 permanent county registration records. If a [~~Manufacturers~~



1 ~~Statement of Origin]~~ manufacturers statement of origin is not  
2 available for the engine and transmission due to the use of a  
3 used or reconstructed engine, transmission, or both, then a bill  
4 of sale or other proof of ownership, satisfactory to the  
5 director of finance must be presented. Except for motorcycles  
6 that are built on after market motorcycle frames, special  
7 interest vehicles, and reconstructed vehicles, no motor vehicle  
8 or device shall be registered unless certified by the  
9 manufacturer to be in compliance with all applicable federal  
10 motor vehicle safety standards as of the date of manufacture."

11 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 7, 2059.



**Report Title:**

Motor Vehicle Registration

**Description:**

Defines "after market motorcycle frame". Allows county directors of finance to register motorcycles with an after market motorcycle frame, using the vehicle identification number on the certification label or a vehicle identification number assigned by the respective county director of finance. Except for special interest vehicles, reconstructed vehicles, and motorcycles with an after market frame, prohibits any motor vehicle or device from being registered unless certified by the manufacturer to be in compliance with applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards as of the date of manufacture. Effective January 7, 2059. (HB1098 HD1)

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