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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to clarify  
2 requirements pertaining to parking spaces for electric vehicles.

3 SECTION 2. Section 291-71, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 "~~{}~~**§291-71**~~}~~ **Designation of parking spaces for electric**  
6 **vehicles; charging [units.] system.** ~~[All public, private, and~~  
7 ~~government parking facilities that are available for use by the~~  
8 ~~general public and have] (a) Places of public accommodation~~  
9 ~~with at least one hundred parking spaces available for use by~~  
10 ~~the general public shall [designate] have at least one [per cent~~  
11 ~~of] parking [spaces] space exclusively for electric vehicles [by~~  
12 ~~December 31, 2011, provided that at least one of the parking~~  
13 ~~spaces designated for electric vehicles is located near the~~  
14 ~~building entrance and is] and equipped with an electric vehicle~~  
15 ~~charging [unit.] system located anywhere in the parking~~  
16 ~~structure or lot by July 1, 2012. Spaces shall be designated,~~  
17 ~~clearly marked, and the exclusive designation enforced. [The~~  
18 ~~electric vehicle charging units shall meet recognized standards,~~



1 ~~including SAE J1772 of the Society of Automotive Engineers.]~~  
2 Owners of multiple parking [~~lots~~] facilities within the State  
3 may designate and electrify fewer parking spaces than required  
4 in one or more of their owned properties [~~as long as~~]; provided  
5 that the scheduled requirement is met for the total number of  
6 aggregate spaces on all of their owned properties.

7 ~~[When the number of registered electric vehicles in the~~  
8 ~~State reaches five thousand, the spaces designated for electric~~  
9 ~~vehicles shall increase to two per cent of parking spaces. The~~  
10 ~~number of spaces designated for electric vehicles shall continue~~  
11 ~~to increase by one per cent for each additional five thousand~~  
12 ~~electric vehicles registered in the State until the percentage~~  
13 ~~reaches ten per cent of parking spaces.]~~

14 (b) For the purposes of this section[~~,"electric vehicle"~~  
15 ~~means an electric vehicle or neighborhood electric vehicle with~~  
16 ~~an electric vehicle license plate.]:~~

17 "Electric vehicle" means:

- 18 (1) A neighborhood electric vehicle as defined in section  
19 286-2; or  
20 (2) A vehicle, with four or more wheels, that draws  
21 propulsion energy from a battery with at least four



1            kilowatt hours of energy storage capacity that can be  
2            recharged from an external source of electricity.

3            "Electric vehicle charging system" means a system that:

4            (1) Is capable of providing electricity from a non-vehicle  
5            source to charge the batteries of one or more electric  
6            vehicles;

7            (2) Meets recognized standards, including standard SAE  
8            J1772 of SAE International; and

9            (3) Is designed and installed in compliance with article  
10           625 of the National Electrical Code.

11           "Place of public accommodation" has the same meaning as  
12           that provided in section 489-2."

13           SECTION 3. Section 291-72, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14           amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

15           "(a) Beginning January 1, [~~2012,~~] 2013, any person who  
16           parks a non-electric vehicle in a space designated and marked as  
17           reserved for electric vehicles shall receive a warning."

18           SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19           and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20           SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



**Report Title:**

Electric Vehicles

**Description:**

Clarifies the electric vehicle parking requirement. Allows an electric vehicle parking space with a charging system to be located anywhere in the parking lot or structure. Effective January 1, 2013, imposes a warning on any person who parks an unauthorized vehicle in a space designated for electric vehicles. Effective July 1, 2030. (SB2747 HD1)

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