
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSIT.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that transit enhancement
2 projects are designed to foster more livable communities,
3 preserve and protect environmental and cultural resources, and
4 promote alternative modes of transportation.

5 The purpose of this Act is to require that a county with a
6 population greater than five hundred thousand that adopts a
7 county surcharge on state tax ordinance use at least one per
8 cent of the surcharge to fund transit enhancements.

9 SECTION 2. Section 46-16.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

11 "(c) Each county with a population greater than five
12 hundred thousand that adopts a county surcharge on state tax
13 ordinance pursuant to subsection (a) shall use the surcharges
14 received from the State for:

15 (1) Operating or capital costs of a locally preferred
16 alternative for a mass transit project; [~~and~~]



- 1 (2) Expenses in complying with the Americans with
- 2 Disabilities Act of 1990 with respect to paragraph
- 3 (1) [~~-~~]; and
- 4 (3) Transit enhancements; provided that not less than one
- 5 per cent of the surcharge shall be expended for
- 6 projects that are designed to enhance public
- 7 transportation service or use or are physically or
- 8 functionally related to transit facilities and other
- 9 public amenities, including:
- 10 (A) Landscaping and other scenic beautification,
- 11 including tables, benches, trash receptacles, and
- 12 street lights;
- 13 (B) Public works of art and music, cultural, and
- 14 crafts events;
- 15 (C) Transit connections to parks within the transit
- 16 service area;
- 17 (D) Signage; and
- 18 (E) Access to public transportation for persons with
- 19 disabilities; provided that this subparagraph
- 20 shall not require enhancements in excess of
- 21 access required by the Americans with
- 22 Disabilities Act.



1 The county surcharge on state tax shall not be used to build or
2 repair public roads or highways, bicycle paths, or support
3 public transportation systems already in existence prior to
4 July 12, 2005."

5 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.



Report Title:

Counties; Taxation; Transit Enhancements

Description:

Requires a county with a population greater than five hundred thousand that adopts a county surcharge on state tax ordinance to use at least one per cent of the surcharge to fund transit enhancements. (SD1)

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