
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 26-19, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§26-19 Department of transportation.** The department of
4 transportation shall be headed by a single executive to be known
5 as the director of transportation.

6 The department shall establish, maintain, and operate
7 transportation facilities of the State, including highways,
8 airports, harbors, and such other transportation facilities and
9 activities as may be authorized by law.

10 The department shall plan, develop, promote, and coordinate
11 various transportation systems management programs that shall
12 include, but not be limited to, alternate work and school hours
13 programs, bicycling programs, and ridesharing programs.

14 The department shall develop and promote ridesharing
15 programs which shall include but not be limited to, carpool and
16 vanpool programs, and may assist organizations interested in
17 promoting similar programs, arrange for contracts with private
18 organizations to manage and operate these programs, and assist



1 in the formulation of ridesharing arrangements. Ridesharing
2 programs include informal arrangements in which two or more
3 persons ride together in a motor vehicle.

4 The functions and authority heretofore exercised by the
5 department of public works with respect to highways are
6 transferred to the department of transportation established by
7 this chapter.

8 On July 1, 1961, the Hawaii aeronautics commission, the
9 board of harbor commissioners and the highway commission shall
10 be abolished and their remaining functions, duties, and powers
11 shall be transferred to the department of transportation.

12 ~~[Upon the abolishment of the Hawaii aeronautics commission,~~
13 ~~the board of harbor commissioners, and the highway commission,~~
14 ~~there shall be established within the department of~~
15 ~~transportation a commission to be known as the commission on~~
16 ~~transportation which shall sit in an advisory capacity to the~~
17 ~~director of transportation on matters within the jurisdiction of~~
18 ~~the department of transportation. The commission on~~
19 ~~transportation shall consist of not more than eleven members,~~
20 ~~with the number of members from each county insofar as~~
21 ~~practicable being approximately proportional to the population~~
22 ~~of the respective counties to the population of the State;~~



1 ~~provided that each of the four counties shall be represented by~~
2 ~~at least one member.]"~~

3 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
4 and stricken.

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



Report Title:

Commission on Transportation; Repeal

Description:

Repeals the commission on transportation in the DOT. (SD1)

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Representative Ryan I Yamane, Chair
Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair
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RE: SB1214 Proposed HD1, Relating to Transportation

Dear Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Ichiyama and Members of the Committee:

We speak in favor of this bill. The problem of illegal parking (both private and public) is not new to anyone, and any retailer will tell you that available parking is critical to survival. It is well known that vehicles that occupy valuable, and many time scarce parking without doing business may cause financial harm by not allowing paying customers access to said business.

Historically, businesses are required by law to post signs containing specific verbiage regarding parking policies, and consequences to ignoring those rules. Normally, this would involve vehicle removal by a contracted tow company, thereby removing the offending vehicle and opening the private property stall for the business' customers.

Most businesses are reluctant to tow errant vehicles, due to bad publicity, however it is necessary to keep valuable parking available for customers. Towing accomplishes two purposes; 1) it is done at no charge to the business, and, 2) it opens up the stall for other customers to park.

Booting does not accomplish business' objective of opening customer parking. Basically it turns parking lots into revenue sources for the booting company, since a booted car is not removed, it is simply immobilized. Currently, there is no regulation of booting practices and /or companies. This opens the door to **rogue private sector booters to victimize motorists by demanding unregulated and exorbitant cash points for release of their vehicle. This bullying intimidates motorists into paying excessive fines and succumbing to outrageous practices.**

Current tow companies have worked diligently with law makers over the years to arrive at industry standards and fees for services provided. Significant time has been spent establishing corrective action against errant vehicle parking in a fair and reasonable manner. That reputation and history are now at risk with unregulated booting. Are we willing to establish a whole new set of HRS regulations to address booting? If so passage of this bill is a start.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Comments: i support passage of this bill

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