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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that taxes on gasoline  
2 and diesel fuels are currently one of the main means of funding  
3 the repair and maintenance of state and county roadways in the  
4 State. For example, the owner of a vehicle in the city and  
5 county of Honolulu that drives 12,500 miles per year at thirty  
6 miles per gallon of fuel will pay approximately \$140 in combined  
7 state and county fuel taxes. On the other hand, owners of  
8 electric vehicles pay substantially less in taxes than owners of  
9 conventional gasoline and diesel vehicles because they do not  
10 need to purchase liquid fuel for their vehicles.

11           The legislature further finds that as technological  
12 advances improve the fuel economy of all motor vehicles, it will  
13 be necessary to establish a vehicle miles-traveled tax to  
14 replace the liquid fuel tax. In the interest of fairness, the  
15 legislature believes it is appropriate to create an electric  
16 vehicle user fee to offset the difference in taxes as an interim  
17 measure until a suitable mechanism for collecting a vehicle  
18 miles-traveled tax can be implemented.



1           The purpose of this Act is to establish an annual electric  
2 vehicle user fee.

3           SECTION 2. Chapter 249, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
5 and to read as follows:

6           "§249-     Electric vehicle user fee. (a) All electric  
7 vehicles in the State shall be subject to a \$60 annual user fee.

8           (b) The electric vehicle user fee shall be paid each year  
9 together with all other taxes and fees levied by this chapter on  
10 a staggered basis as established by each county pursuant to  
11 section 286-51 so that the electric vehicle user fee is due and  
12 payable at the same time and shall be collected with state and  
13 county fees.

14           (c) The electric vehicle user fee shall be deemed  
15 delinquent if not paid with the state registration fee and the  
16 county registration fee. The respective counties shall collect  
17 this fee and transfer fifty per cent of the moneys collected  
18 under this section to the State to be deposited into the state  
19 highway fund and fifty per cent of the moneys collected under  
20 this section into the "highway fund" established in section  
21 249-18 to be expended in the county in which the user fees are  
22 collected.



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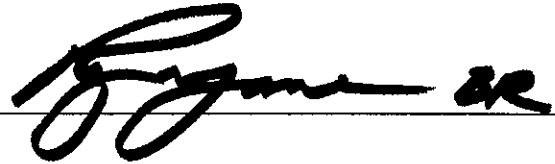
1            (d) For the purposes of this section, "electric vehicle"  
2 has the same meaning as in section 291-71."

3            SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

4            SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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# H.B. NO. 2145

**Report Title:**

Electric Vehicle User Fee; Highway Fund

**Description:**

Establishes an annual electric vehicle user fee, fifty per cent of which shall be deposited in the state highway fund and fifty per cent of which shall be deposited in the county highway fund.

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