
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VETERANS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 286-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:
3 "§286-51 Registration, expense[-]; disabled veterans
4 exemption. (a) The certificate of registration for each motor
5 vehicle in the counties of the State shall be renewed on a
6 staggered basis as established by each county. The director of
7 finance of each county may adopt rules to carry out the purposes
8 stated in this section and shall expend the necessary funds from
9 the director's operating funds as may be necessary for these
10 purposes; provided that the director of finance, if the director
11 has ascertained as of the date of the application that the
12 registered owner has not deposited or paid bail with respect to
13 any summons or citation issued to the registered owner for
14 stopping, standing, or parking in violation of traffic
15 ordinances within the county, may require, as a condition
16 precedent to the renewal, that the registered owner deposit or
17 pay bail with respect to all such summonses or citations. The
18 certificates of registration issued hereunder shall show, in



1 addition to all information required under section 286-47, the
2 serial number of the tag or emblem and shall be valid during the
3 registration year only for which they are issued. The
4 certificates of ownership need not be renewed annually but shall
5 remain valid as to any interest shown therein until canceled by
6 the director of finance as provided by law or replaced by new
7 certificates of ownership as hereinafter provided.

8 (b) This part shall be administered by the director of
9 finance in conjunction with the requirements of sections 249-1
10 to 249-13 and shall entail no additional expense or charge to
11 the person registering the ownership of a motor vehicle other
12 than as provided by this section or by other laws; provided that
13 for each new certificate of ownership issued by the director of
14 finance under section 286-52, the director of finance may charge
15 a fee which shall be deposited in the general fund. The fees
16 charged to issue a new certificate of ownership shall be
17 established by the county's legislative body.

18 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, an
19 additional fee of not more than \$1 for each certificate of
20 registration for a U-drive motor vehicle and \$2 for each
21 certificate of registration for all other motor vehicles may be
22 established by ordinance and collected annually by the director



1 of finance of each county, to be used and administered by each
2 county:

3 (1) For the purpose of beautification and other related
4 activities of highways under the ownership, control,
5 and jurisdiction of each county; and

6 (2) To defray the additional cost in the disposition and
7 other related activities of abandoned or derelict
8 vehicles as prescribed in chapter 290. For the
9 purposes of this paragraph, other related activities
10 shall include but need not be limited to any and all
11 storage fees that are negotiated between each county
12 and a towing company contracted by the county to
13 remove and dispose of abandoned or derelict vehicles.

14 The \$2 fee established pursuant to this subsection for
15 certificates of registration for motor vehicles other than
16 U-drive motor vehicles may be increased by ordinance up to a
17 maximum of \$10; provided that all amounts received from any fee
18 increase over \$2 shall be expended only for the purposes of
19 paragraph (2). The moneys so assessed and collected shall be
20 placed in a revolving fund entitled, "the highway beautification
21 and disposal of abandoned or derelict vehicles revolving fund".

22 (c) Any totally and permanently disabled veteran who is:



- 1 (1) A resident of Hawaii;
- 2 (2) Discharged from the United States uniformed armed
- 3 forces, except that a veteran who was dishonorably
- 4 discharge shall not be eligible for the exemption
- 5 under this section;
- 6 (3) Determined by the United States Department of Veteran
- 7 Affairs or its predecessor to have a service-connected
- 8 one hundred per cent disability rating for
- 9 compensation or a service-connected disability rating
- 10 of one hundred per cent; and
- 11 (4) In receipt of disability retirement pay from any
- 12 branch of the uniformed armed forces;
- 13 shall not be required to pay any motor vehicle registration
- 14 expenses as required by this section. This exemption shall not
- 15 apply to vehicles used for commercial purposes and shall not
- 16 apply to more than one vehicle of any disabled veteran."

17 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Motor Vehicle Registration; Veterans; Exemption

Description:

Exempts certain totally and permanently disabled veterans from paying motor vehicle registration expenses on certain vehicles.
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