
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 249, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§249- County electric vehicle annual road use fee. (a)

5 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, each county shall
6 impose, levy, assess, collect, and otherwise administer a fee to
7 be known as the county electric vehicle annual road use fee on
8 all electric vehicles located in the county. The fee shall be
9 assessed at a rate of \$ per year.

10 (b) The county vehicle weight tax and the state vehicle
11 registration fee and state vehicle weight tax imposed by this
12 chapter shall continue to be imposed, levied, assessed,
13 collected, and otherwise administered as provided in this
14 chapter.

15 (c) The provisions of this chapter relating to the
16 exemptions from the county vehicle weight tax currently



1 specified in this chapter shall be applied to the extent
2 applicable.

3 (d) The fee shall become due and payable on January 1 and
4 shall be paid before April 1 in each year together with all
5 other taxes and fees levied by this chapter; provided that
6 should any county elect to renew motor vehicle registrations on
7 a staggered basis as authorized by section 286-51, the county
8 electric vehicle annual road use fee shall likewise be staggered
9 so that this fee is collected with the county vehicle weight
10 tax. The county director of finance shall not register a
11 vehicle without payment of the fee imposed under this section.

12 (e) The director of finance of each county shall retain
13 per cent of the revenue collected in that county pursuant to
14 this section. The balance of the revenues collected shall be
15 transmitted to the state director of finance and shall be
16 deposited into the state highway fund.

17 (f) For the purposes of this section, "electric vehicle"
18 means:

19 (1) A neighborhood electric vehicle; 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 (f) Each county may adopt administrative rules pursuant to
4 chapter 91 as may be necessary to implement this section."

5 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Report Title:

Counties; Electric Vehicles; Road Use Fee

Description:

Requires the counties to impose a county electric vehicle annual road use fee. Provides that an unspecified percent of revenues collected be deposited into the state highway fund.

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