A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BICYCLES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 291C-43, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "[+]§291C-43[+] Overtaking a vehicle or bicycle on the
- 4 left. The following rules shall govern the overtaking and
- 5 passing of vehicles or bicycles proceeding in the same
- 6 direction, subject to those limitations, exceptions, and special
- 7 rules hereinafter stated:
- 9 proceeding in the same direction shall pass to the
 10 left thereof at a safe distance and shall not again
 11 drive to the right side of the roadway until safely
 12 clear of the overtaken vehicle.
- 13 (2) The driver of a vehicle overtaking a bicyclist

 14 proceeding in the same direction shall allow at least

 15 a three-foot separation between the right side of the

 16 driver's vehicle, including all mirrors or other

 17 protuberances, and the left side of the bicyclist, and

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1	shall not again drive to the right side of the roadway
2	until safely clear of the overtaken bicycle.
3	$\left[\frac{(2)}{(3)}\right]$ Except when overtaking and passing on the right
4	is permitted, the driver of an overtaken vehicle shall
5	give way to the right in favor of the overtaking
6	vehicle on audible signal and shall not increase the
7	speed of the driver's vehicle until completely passed
8	by the overtaking vehicle."
9	SECTION 2. Section 291C-47, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10	amended to read as follows:
11	"§291C-47 No-passing zones. (a) The director of
12	transportation is authorized to and the counties by ordinance
13	with respect to highways under their respective jurisdictions
14	may establish no-passing zones where overtaking and passing or
15	driving to the left of the roadway would be especially hazardous
16	and shall by appropriate signs or markings on the highway
17	establish or indicate the beginning and the end of a no-passing
18	zone and may place intermediate signs establishing or indicating
19	the continued existence of a no-passing zone. Signs or markings
20	placed by the director of transportation establishing the zone
21	and signs or markings indicating the zone established by

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- 1 ordinance shall be clearly visible to an ordinarily observant
- 2 person and every driver of a vehicle shall obey the directions
- 3 thereof.
- 4 (b) Where signs or markings are in place to define a no-
- 5 passing zone as set forth in subsection (a) no driver shall at
- 6 any time drive on the left side of the roadway within such no-
- 7 passing zone or on the left side of any pavement striping
- 8 designed to mark such no-passing zone throughout its length.
- 9 (c) This section does not apply to the driver of a vehicle
- 10 passing a bicyclist moving in the same direction and in the same
- 11 lane when such movement can be made in safety and without
- 12 interfering with, impeding, or endangering other traffic
- 13 lawfully using the highway. This subsection does not authorize
- 14 driving to the left side of the center of roadway when
- 15 prohibited under section 291C-45 or section 291C-46.
- 16 [(c)] (d) This section does not apply under the conditions
- 17 described in section 291C-41(a)(2), nor to the driver of a
- 18 vehicle turning left into or from an alley, private road, or
- 19 driveway."
- 20 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Bicycle; Overtaking

Description:

Requires the driver of a vehicle overtaking a bicycle proceeding in the same direction to allow at least a three-foot separation between the right side of the driver's vehicle and the left side of the bicyclist. Allows for passing of a bicyclist in a no pass zone.

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