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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that abandoned vehicles  
2 on public roads are a widespread environmental disaster that can  
3 impact human health and safety.

4       The purpose of this Act is to require the counties to  
5 remove and dispose of abandoned vehicles on public roads within  
6 ten business days.

7       SECTION 2. Section 290-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

9       "(a) The counties [~~may~~] shall cause vehicles that have  
10 been abandoned to be taken into custody and disposed of [-]  
11 within ten business days of abandonment. For the purposes of  
12 this subsection, a vehicle is "abandoned" if it is defined to be  
13 abandoned by an ordinance of the county in which the vehicle is  
14 located. In the absence of such an ordinance, a vehicle is  
15 "abandoned" if it is left unattended for a continuous period of  
16 more than twenty-four hours and it is unlawfully parked on any  
17 public highway or other public property or private lands defined




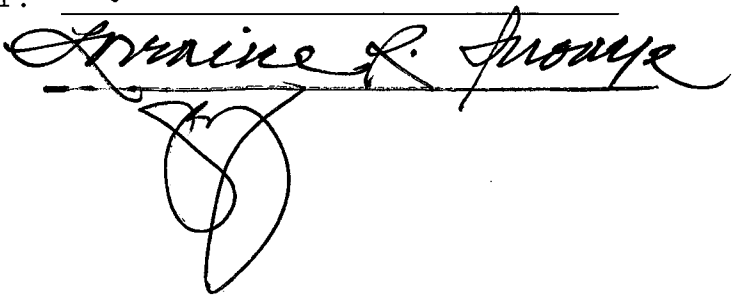
1 as a setback, shoulder, easement, or right of way that is  
2 adjacent to or part of a public highway. The mayors of the  
3 several counties may designate an agency within their counties  
4 to carry out the functions and requirements of this section.  
5 The term "agency" means any office, department, or other  
6 governmental unit of the county."

7 SECTION 3. The department of transportation shall adopt  
8 rules pursuant to chapter 91 necessary to carry out the purposes  
9 of this chapter.

10 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.  
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INTRODUCED BY:



# S.B. NO. 2479

**Report Title:**

Abandoned Vehicles; Removal and Disposal; Counties; Public Roads

**Description:**

Requires the counties to remove and dispose of abandoned vehicles on public roads within ten business days.

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