

HB 946, HD1

RELATING TO HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE LANES.

Specifies that an unauthorized person who drives in a high occupancy vehicle lane shall be subject to a \$150 fine. (HB946 HD1)

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H.B. 946, H.D. 1
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Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.B. 946, H.D. 1 relating to high occupancy vehicle lanes. This bill will increase the fines for the violation of the high occupancy vehicle lanes to \$150.

The purpose of the high occupancy vehicle lanes is to encourage carpooling that would result in less vehicles on the highways, thereby reducing the commuter time. The increase of fines would be a deterrent for those drivers who continue to violate this law. The DOT is recommending that the effective date be amended to reflect upon approval.

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Comments: Steadfast support for better enforcement and higher fines to deter those presently abusing the HOV lane as their personal highway. Encourage and reassure law-abiding motorists that the HOV lane is rightfully justified in supporting carpooling for daily commuters. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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