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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 291C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§291C-       Low-speed electric bicycles; operator age. No  
5 person under the age of fifteen shall operate a low-speed  
6 electric bicycle as defined under title 15 United States Code  
7 section 2085."

8           SECTION 2. Section 249-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended by amending the definition of "bicycle" to read as  
10 follows:

11           "Bicycle" means [every]:

12           (1) A device propelled solely by human power upon which  
13 any person may ride, having two tandem wheels sixteen  
14 inches in diameter or greater, and including any  
15 device generally recognized as a bicycle though  
16 equipped with two front or two rear wheels[-]; or



1        (2) A low-speed electric bicycle, as defined under title  
2                    15 United States Code section 2085."

3            SECTION 3. Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended by amending the definition of "bicycle" to read as  
5 follows:

6            ""Bicycle" means [~~every~~]:

7            (1) A device propelled solely by human power upon which  
8                    any person may ride, having two tandem wheels sixteen  
9                    inches in diameter or greater, and including any  
10                    device generally recognized as a bicycle though  
11                    equipped with two front or two rear wheels[-]; or

12           (2) A low-speed electric bicycle, as defined under title  
13                    15 United States Code section 2085."

14           SECTION 4. Section 291C-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
15 amended by amending the definition of "bicycle" to read as  
16 follows:

17            ""Bicycle" means [~~every~~]:

18            (1) A vehicle propelled solely by human power upon which  
19                    any person may ride, having two tandem wheels, and  
20                    including any vehicle generally recognized as a

1 bicycle though equipped with two front or two rear  
2 wheels except a toy bicycle[-]; or

3 (2) A low-speed electric bicycle, as defined under title  
4 15 United States Code section 2085."

5 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Transportation; Bicycles; Low-speed Electric Bicycles

**Description:**

Includes low-speed electric bicycles in the definition of bicycle. Prohibits anyone under the age of fifteen from operating a low-speed electric bicycle. Effective 7/1/2050.  
(SD1)

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