
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that a one hundred per
2 cent renewable energy future is in the public interest. The
3 transition from the burning of fossil fuels requires advanced
4 planning, particularly given the lifespan of automobiles and the
5 infrastructure that supports them. The fossil fuel-powered
6 internal combustion engine contributes to climate change,
7 exacerbates air pollution, and results in dollars leaving the
8 state economy to pay for imported petroleum. Many electric
9 vehicles are already more affordable to own and operate than gas
10 motor vehicles due to the fuel and maintenance cost savings. As
11 manufacturing scales up, prices of electric vehicles continue to
12 fall. Bloomberg Energy Finance projects that initial sale
13 prices for new electric vehicles will be comparable to gas motor
14 vehicles by 2022, and Merrill Lynch analysts expect comparable
15 initial sale prices to happen by 2024.

16 The legislature further finds that on December 12, 2017,
17 the mayors from all Hawaii counties gathered at the Hōkūle‘a



1 sailing canoe to sign proclamations pledging to transition all
 2 ground transportation in their counties away from fossil fuels
 3 by 2045. The mayors' actions mirror those of leaders of France,
 4 Britain, India, and China, who have all set goals phasing out
 5 the sale of new fossil fuel internal combustion cars.

6 The purpose of this Act is to eliminate Hawaii's dependence
 7 on fossil fuels by prohibiting the sale of motor vehicles with
 8 an internal combustion engine beginning in 2030.

9 SECTION 2. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 10 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
 11 and to read as follows:

12 "§286- Sale of motor vehicle with internal combustion
 13 engine; prohibited. No motor vehicle with an internal
 14 combustion engine, with fewer than three hundred miles on the
 15 odometer, shall be sold after December 31, 2029."

16 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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Description:

Prohibits the sale of new cars with an internal combustion engine after December 31, 2029.

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