
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO
PROPERLY REMOVE ABANDONED VEHICLES FROM OAHU'S ROADWAYS.

1 WHEREAS, the eyesore of abandoned vehicles along public
2 roadways exists throughout Hawaii; and

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4 WHEREAS, in 2018 alone, 5,603 tickets were issued for
5 abandoned vehicles, and 3,089 vehicles were removed from city
6 roadways on Oahu; however, abandoned vehicles remain a problem
7 across the island; and

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9 WHEREAS, despite the existence of programs to address the
10 problem of abandoned vehicles along roadways, the businesses
11 that are responsible for collecting and storing these vehicles
12 claim to have reached full capacity and are turning away newly
13 abandoned vehicles from their storage lots; and

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15 WHEREAS, because these businesses claim to have run out of
16 space to store these abandoned vehicles and in the absence of an
17 alternative solution, abandoned vehicles remain on public
18 roadways, creating a nuisance for communities around Oahu; and

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20 WHEREAS, the County of Hawaii has expanded its abandoned
21 vehicle program so that each resident in that county may dispose
22 of up to two vehicles at no expense to the owner of the vehicle;
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25 WHEREAS, along with providing a proper storage facility for
26 these vehicles, this expanded program in Hawaii County has the
27 effect of encouraging the proper disposal of vehicles and
28 streamlining the entire process as a whole, thus saving taxpayer
29 monies and removing unwanted vehicles before they become
30 abandoned eyesores; now, therefore,



1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 2 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
 3 2020, that the City and County of Honolulu is urged to implement
 4 a plan to properly remove abandoned vehicles from Oahu's
 5 roadways; and

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 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the storage lots of the
 8 businesses that are responsible for collecting these vehicles
 9 have indeed reached full capacity, then the City and County of
 10 Honolulu is urged to establish an alternate location so that
 11 abandoned vehicles do not remain on the roadways of Oahu; and

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 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City and County of Honolulu
 14 is urged to consider adopting the expanded abandoned vehicle
 15 program that exists in the County of Hawaii; and

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 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 18 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of
 19 Honolulu, Chairperson of the Honolulu City Council, and Director
 20 of the Department of Facility Maintenance of the City and County
 21 of Honolulu.

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