

JAN 17 2020

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 78, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
3 read as follows:

4 "§78- Public transportation subsidy program. (a) The
5 department of accounting and general services shall establish
6 and implement a public transportation subsidy program that
7 allows a state employee to offset the monthly cost of commuting
8 to work via public transportation. Under the public
9 transportation subsidy program, a state employee may elect to
10 receive a monthly subsidy not to exceed \$.

11 (b) Nothing in this section shall prevent a state agency
12 from offering a more generous public transportation subsidy
13 program that is otherwise consistent with the requirements of
14 this section. Nothing in this section shall require a state
15 employee to change their method of commute. This section shall
16 not be construed to absolve any state agency or other party from



1 any obligation required by an existing collective bargaining
2 agreement with employees or any provision of law.

3 (c) The department of accounting and general services may
4 adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 necessary to implement this
5 section.

6 (d) For purposes of this section:

7 "Public transportation" means services involved in the
8 transportation of passengers for hire by means of street
9 railway, elevated railway, subway, underground railroad, motor
10 vehicles, or other means of conveyance generally associated with
11 or developed for mass surface or subsurface transportation of
12 the public. "Public transportation" does not include any
13 service involved in transportation by taxicab, transportation
14 network company, airport limousine, or industrial bus.

15 "State agency" means the executive, legislative, or
16 judicial branches of state government, including departments,
17 offices, commissions, boards, or other agencies within the
18 executive, legislative, or judicial branches."

19 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so



1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for
2 the public transportation subsidy program.

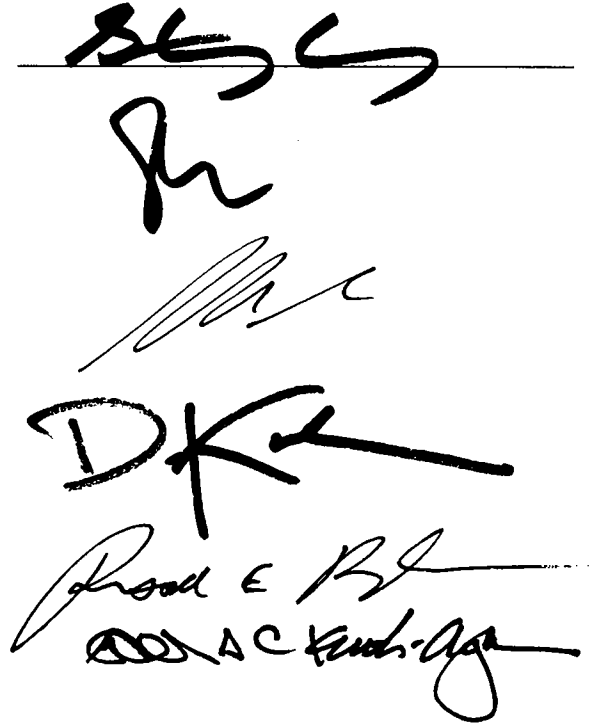
3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
4 accounting and general services for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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S.B. NO. 2221

Report Title:

Public Transportation; State Employees; Subsidy Program;
Appropriation

Description:

Requires the department of accounting and general services to develop and implement a public transportation subsidy program for state employees. Appropriates funds for the public transportation subsidy program.

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