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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BICYCLE LANES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that, according to the
- 2 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, there were eight
- 3 hundred fifty-seven bicyclists killed in traffic crashes in the
- 4 United States in 2018. The legislature further finds that there
- 5 has been an increase in bicycling in Hawaii during the
- 6 coronavirus pandemic. As a result of the increase in bicycling,
- 7 there have been four bicycle crash fatalities in 2020 in the
- 8 State. Indeed, the State's roads often do not provide enough
- 9 space for bicycles and cars to share the road. Yet, the city
- 10 and county of Honolulu is dedicated to making Oahu a bicycle-
- 11 friendly place.
- 12 The purpose of this Act is to require the department of
- 13 transportation to create a development plan to widen shoulders
- 14 on state highways with designated bike lanes to at least three
- 15 feet in width, with exceptions.
- 16 SECTION 2. The department of transportation shall create a
- 17 development plan to ensure that, to the greatest extent



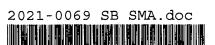
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- 1 feasible, whenever a bike way is designated along a state
- 2 highway that a paved shoulder at least three feet in width shall
- 3 be included; provided that exceptions may be made for sections
- 4 of a state highway that cross a bridge or run alongside a
- 5 natural obstruction that would make a three-foot wide shoulder
- 6 infeasible.
- 7 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

Bicycle Lanes; Development Plan; Department of Transportation

Description:

Requires the department of transportation to create a development plan to widen shoulders on state highways with designated bike lanes to at least three feet in width, with exceptions.

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