

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA

July 6, 2023

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 6, 2023, the following bill was signed into law:

HB118 SD2

RELATING TO TRAFFIC FINES. **ACT 239**

Sincerely,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

on JUL 6 2023

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 239

H.B. NO. 118 S.D. 2

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAFFIC FINES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that many popular scenic
- 2 areas draw thousands of visitors who overburden state and county
- 3 roads and highways and contribute to illegal parking that causes
- 4 traffic gridlock and complaints from local communities.
- 5 The legislature also finds that Act 250, Session Laws of
- 6 Hawaii 2019, established the state highway enforcement program,
- 7 which added a surcharge for illegal parking violations. Act 250
- 8 required that fifty per cent of the surcharge revenue be
- 9 distributed to county police departments, which are vital to the
- 10 enforcement of parking violations but have limited resources.
- 11 The purpose of this Act is to clarify that counties may, by
- 12 ordinance, designate county highways where the stopping,
- 13 standing, or parking of vehicles are restricted or prohibited.
- 14 SECTION 2. Chapter 46, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 15 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
- 16 read as follows:



"§46- Prohibitions or restrictions on stopping, 1 2 standing, or parking of vehicles on county highways. Each 3 county, by ordinance, may prohibit or restrict the stopping, 4 standing, or parking of vehicles by designating specific 5 sections of county highways that shall be subject to 6 section 291C-111; provided that any federal or state agency 7 authorizing a road closure shall preempt a county ordinance. 8 Upon adoption of the ordinance, the county shall submit to the 9 judiciary notice of the adoption of the ordinance and a copy of 10 the ordinance." 11 SECTION 3. Section 291C-111, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows: 12 13 "(c) Any person committing a violation of any law or ordinance prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing, or 14 15 parking of vehicles on state highways or designated county 16 highways shall be charged, in addition to any other applicable 17 penalties and fines, a state highway enforcement program 18 surcharge of \$200 to be enforced and collected by the district 19 courts and to be deposited into the state highway fund; provided 20 that fifty per cent of each surcharge collected shall be

- 1 disbursed to the police department of the county in which the
- violation occurred."
- 3 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
- 4 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

APPROVED this 6th day of July , 2023

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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HB No. 118, SD 2

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 27, 2023 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 11, 2023 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023.

MM M.M.
President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate