
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the single fastest
2 growing contributor to an increasing cost of living in Hawaii is
3 the rising cost of transportation. Due to increasingly
4 expensive fossil fuels and a lack of cheaper transit options,
5 Hawaii residents already pay among the highest costs to commute
6 in the country. In January 2022, the United States Bureau of
7 Labor Statistics reported that auto-related costs were an
8 astonishing twenty-three per cent higher in December 2021 than a
9 year earlier, accelerating a trend of increasing transit costs
10 contributing to Hawaii's rising cost of living.

11 The legislature further finds that numerous public
12 employees commute to work by car and must pay for parking at
13 their workplaces. However, public employees wishing to split
14 the cost of sharing a single stall while carpooling in different
15 cars on different days are currently prohibited by the
16 department of accounting and general services from doing so.
17 Many people are also opting to drive electric vehicles, which



1 are significantly cheaper to operate and maintain than gas-
2 powered vehicles, and many major manufacturers have already
3 committed to cease the production and sale of gas-powered
4 vehicles by 2030 and 2035, respectively. However,
5 infrastructure for charging those vehicles in the workplace does
6 not exist.

7 The purpose of this Act is to:

- 8 (1) Help reduce the cost of living and cost of
9 transportation for public employees by enabling
10 parking stall sharing between employees; and
11 (2) Require the department of accounting and general
12 services to conduct a study to determine the demand
13 for, and feasibility and costs of, installing electric
14 vehicle charging stations at newly constructed state
15 employee and public parking facilities and
16 retrofitting existing state employee and public
17 parking facilities to accommodate electric vehicle
18 charging stations.

19 SECTION 2. Chapter 27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
20 by adding one new section to be appropriately designated and to
21 read as follows:



1 "§27- Public employee parking facilities. The
2 department of accounting and general services, in collaboration
3 with the department of transportation, shall develop, implement,
4 administer, and manage separate programs to allow two or more
5 public employees of the State to share the cost of a parking
6 stall and allow multiple cars to use that stall as appropriate;
7 provided that the total cost for sharing a parking stall between
8 two or more employees shall not exceed the cost of any one stall
9 for any one employee."

10 SECTION 3. The department of accounting and general
11 services, in collaboration with the state energy office, office
12 of planning and sustainable development, and all state agencies
13 that administer state employee and public parking facilities,
14 shall conduct a study to determine the demand for, and
15 feasibility and costs of, installing electric vehicle charging
16 stations at newly constructed state employee and public parking
17 facilities and retrofitting existing state employee and public
18 parking facilities to accommodate electric vehicle charging
19 stations. The department of accounting and general services may
20 consult with any public utility necessary to complete the study.



1 The department of accounting and general services shall
2 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including
3 any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than
4 twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of
5 2024.

6 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.



Report Title:

DAGS; DOT; Parking Stall Sharing; Electric Vehicle Charging Stations; Public Employee Parking; Study

Description:

Requires the department of accounting and general services to collaborate with the department of transportation to develop, implement, administer, and manage programs to enable parking stall sharing among public employees of the State. Requires the department of accounting and general services to conduct a study to determine the demand for, and feasibility and costs of, installing electric vehicle charging stations at newly constructed state employee and public parking facilities and retrofitting existing state employee and public parking facilities to accommodate electric vehicle charging stations. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

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