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# 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 over the past five  
2 years, the transportation network company industry has  
3 experienced substantial growth nationally and in Hawaii,  
4 transforming the way people commute and navigate. This paradigm  
5 shift is evident in cities like Boston, where the gross revenues  
6 generated by transportation network company rides reached a  
7 staggering \$45,000,000 in 2022 alone. As transportation network  
8 companies continue to grow, their impact is increasingly felt in  
9 Hawaii's communities and on its roads. In Hawaii, a state  
10 heavily reliant on tourism, transportation network company  
11 services are often utilized by visitors. The legislature  
12 further finds that visitors and transportation network company  
13 platforms should contribute more to ensure the safety of  
14 children biking, walking, or rolling to school.

15           The legislature further finds that implementing a fee has  
16 been successful for funding infrastructure in other states like  
17 Minnesota. Hawaii has the potential to create a self-sustaining



1 source of funding for the State's safe routes to schools  
2 program. This approach not only aligns with broader initiatives  
3 to promote responsible tourism, but also represents a  
4 responsible means of addressing the safety issues that are  
5 exacerbated by the proliferation of transportation network  
6 company services in the State.

7 The purpose of this Act is to implement a fee on each  
8 transportation network company ride, to be used on safety  
9 projects.

10 SECTION 2. Chapter 279G, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
11 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
12 and to read as follows:

13 "§279G- Transportation network company fee. (a) There  
14 is levied and shall be assessed and collected a transportation  
15 network company fee of \_\_\_\_\_ cents on each ride originated  
16 through a transportation network company's digital platform.  
17 The transportation network company fee shall be levied upon the  
18 rider.

19 (b) Each transportation network company shall collect and  
20 remit the required transportation network company fees to the  
21 department of taxation.



1        (c) All fees collected under this section shall be  
2 deposited into the safe routes to schools program special fund  
3 established under section 291C-4.

4        (d) For the purposes of this section, "transportation  
5 network company" means the same as in section 431:10C-701."

6        SECTION 3. Section 291C-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8        "§291C-4 Safe routes to school program special fund;  
9 establishment. There is established in the state treasury the  
10 safe routes to school program special fund, into which shall be  
11 deposited:

12        (1) Assessments collected for speeding in a school zone,  
13        pursuant to section 291C-104; [~~and~~]

14        (2) Safe routes to school program surcharges collected in  
15        accordance with sections 291-16 and 291C-5[~~-~~]; and

16        (3) Transportation network company fees collected in  
17        accordance with section 279G- ."

18        SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20        SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Transportation; Transportation Network Company; Safe Routes to School Program Special Fund; Fee

**Description:**

Establishes a transportation network company fee. Provides for the deposit into the Safe Routes to School Program special fund of transportation network company fees collected. Effective 1/1/2050. (SD2)

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