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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that according to the  
2 American Automobile Association, the average price per gallon  
3 for regular gasoline in Hawaii increased from \$4.334 in December  
4 2021 to \$5.030 in December 2022. The legislature also finds  
5 that motor vehicle manufacturers have begun charging  
6 subscription fees for consumers to use certain features in their  
7 vehicles, including remote locking, remote ignition, and  
8 automatic high-beam headlights. The legislature recognizes that  
9 these and various other factors are contributing to the increase  
10 in transportation costs for residents. The legislature notes  
11 that it is the State's desire to lower these transportation  
12 costs in the State.

13           Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to prohibit motor  
14 vehicle manufacturers from charging subscription fees for the  
15 use of certain services that employ equipment already installed  
16 in a motor vehicle at the time of sale.



1 SECTION 2. Chapter 437, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately  
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§437- Manufacturer subscriptions; prohibited. No  
5 manufacturer shall charge to any consumer in the State a  
6 subscription fee for the use of any service that employs  
7 equipment already installed in the applicable motor vehicle at  
8 the time of sale as a new motor vehicle; provided that this  
9 section shall not apply to entertainment streaming  
10 subscriptions, vehicle navigation, traffic information, and  
11 safety-related services."

12 SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
13 matured; penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
14 begun before its effective date.

15 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Motor Vehicles; Manufacturers; Subscriptions; Prohibition

**Description:**

Prohibits motor vehicle manufacturers from charging subscription fees for certain services that employ equipment already installed in the motor vehicle at the time of sale as a new motor vehicle. Provides that the prohibition shall not apply to entertainment streaming subscription services, vehicle navigation, traffic information, and safety-related services. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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