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A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
TASK FORCE ON MOBILITY MANAGEMENT ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO
ACT 214, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2013.

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

1 SECTION 1. Act 214, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013 (Act 214),
2 established a task force on mobility management within the
3 department of health. The task force was required to make
4 recommendations on establishing a transportation framework to
5 assist elders and individuals with disabilities with
6 transportation needs in each county, including recommendations
7 relating to the state budget and program development.

8 In enacting Act 214, the legislature found that Hawaii's
9 residents, including elders and individuals with disabilities,
10 should be able to live at home with the supports they need so
11 that they can participate in communities that value their
12 contributions. The legislature also found that statewide,
13 especially in rural communities, many residents are without
14 family members nearby to provide transportation and are too
15 frail or disabled to access public transit. Transportation
16 services are often fragmented, underutilized, or difficult to



1 navigate, and can be costly because of inconsistent,
2 duplicative, and often restrictive federal and state program
3 rules and regulations. Due to these circumstances, there is a
4 need for a policy on mobility management, a concept in which a
5 single entity in a geographical area is charged with knowing and
6 deploying the entire array of transportation resources
7 available. This system would focus on the individual and
8 identify the best resources.

9 Act 214 required the department of health, through the
10 executive office on aging, to submit an interim report of the
11 task force's findings and recommendations, including any
12 proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty
13 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2014, and
14 a final report of the task force's findings and recommendations,
15 including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later
16 than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session
17 of 2015.

18 The legislature finds that the task force's final report,
19 submitted to the legislature on January 30, 2015, addressed the
20 development and establishment of a mobility management program
21 and mobility center in a geographical area; cost and



1 qualifications of transportation/mobility coordinators, and
2 logistics of developing a mobility center/program; and
3 development of a mobility management master plan for each
4 county, and recommended that the State continue to support the
5 counties' efforts in developing their respective mobility
6 management program with the following suggested actions:

- 7 (1) Fund local mobility projects identified by the county
8 as priority strategies;
- 9 (2) Provide state leadership and coordination for the four
10 counties to leverage federal funding;
- 11 (3) Establish a statewide purchasing cooperative among the
12 counties and human service providers to procure new
13 vehicles, technologies, and equipment; and
- 14 (4) Support a permanent funding source in any future state
15 or local tax initiative for human service
16 transportation.

17 The legislature further finds that there is still a strong
18 need for mobility management in the State and it is critical
19 that these recommendations are implemented.

20 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to make an
21 appropriation to the department of transportation to implement



1 the recommendations of the task force on mobility management
2 established pursuant to Act 214, in consultation with the aging
3 and disability resource center of the executive office on aging
4 and other stakeholder groups.

5 SECTION 2. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
6 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
7 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
8 appropriations contained in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023,
9 and this Act will cause the state general fund expenditure
10 ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
11 \$ or per cent. This current declaration takes
12 into account general fund appropriations authorized for fiscal
13 year 2024-2025 in Act 164, Regular Session of 2023, and this Act
14 only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure
15 ceiling are that:

- 16 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
17 serve the public interest; and
18 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
19 addressed by this Act.

20 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so



1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for
2 the implementation of the recommendations made by the task force
3 on mobility management established pursuant to Act 214, Session
4 Laws of Hawaii 2013, including funding of the following
5 positions:

- 6 (1) One mobility manager in each of the counties of
7 Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui;
- 8 (2) One statewide outreach position; and
- 9 (3) One statewide coordinator;

10 provided that the department of transportation shall implement
11 the recommendations made by the task force in consultation with
12 the aging and disability resource center of the executive office
13 on aging and other stakeholder groups.

14 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
15 transportation for the purposes of this Act.

16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



S.B. NO. 2179

Report Title:

DOT; Executive Office on Aging; Mobility Management Task Force; Expenditure Ceiling; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Transportation to implement the recommendations of the statewide Mobility Management Task Force established pursuant to Act 214, Session Laws of Hawaii 2013, in consultation with the Aging and Disability Resource Center of the Executive Office on Aging and other stakeholder groups.

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