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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. The purpose of this Act is to:
2	(1)	Reduce the cost of basic transportation for local
3		families;
4	(2)	Incentivize a reduction in wear and tear on roads;
5	(3)	Build safer infrastructure to reduce deaths and
6		injuries, particularly from larger vehicles that are
7		far more dangerous to pedestrians and lead to more
8		deaths and serious injuries than smaller vehicles in
9		the State; and
10	(4)	Ensure that individuals who have the biggest impact on
11		transportation infrastructure financially contribute
12		accordingly.
13	SECT	ION 2. Section 249-31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14	amended b	y amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
15	"(a)	All vehicles and motor vehicles in the State as
16	defined i	n section 249-1, including antique motor vehicles,
17	except as	otherwise provided in sections 249-4, 249-6, and

249-31.5, shall be subject to a [\$46] \$ annual vehicle 1 registration fee; provided that alternative fuel vehicles shall 2 3 pay an annual vehicle registration surcharge of [\$50,] \$, which shall be assessed and collected beginning 4 5 with the first registration renewal for every alternative fuel 6 vehicle and shall be deposited into the state highway fund 7 established under section 248-8. The surcharge shall be paid 8 each year together with all other taxes and fees levied by this 9 chapter on a staggered basis as established by each county as 10 authorized by section 286-51, and the state registration for that county shall likewise be staggered so that the state 11 12 registration fee is due and payable at the same time and shall be collected together with the county fee. The state 13 14 registration fee shall be deemed delinquent if not paid with the 15 county registration fee. The respective counties shall collect 16 this fee together with the vehicle registration tax collected for the county and shall transfer the moneys collected under **17** 18 this section to the State. For the purposes of this subsection, "alternative fuel 19 vehicle" means a vehicle powered by a non-petroleum-based fuel, 20

but excludes an electric vehicle as defined in section 1 2 249-36(q)." SECTION 3. Section 249-33, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 3 4 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 5 "(a) All vehicles and motor vehicles in the State as defined in section 249-1, including antique motor vehicles, 6 except as otherwise provided in sections 249-4, 249-5.5, 249-6, 7 and 249-6.5, in addition to all other fees and taxes levied by 8 this chapter, shall be subject to an annual state vehicle weight 9 tax. The tax shall be levied by the county director of finance 10 at the rate of [1.75] cents a pound according to the 11 net weight of each vehicle as the "net weight" is defined in 12 section 249-1 up to and including four thousand pounds net 13 14 weight; vehicles over four thousand pounds and up to and 15 including seven thousand pounds net weight shall be taxed at the rate of [2.00] cents a pound; vehicles over seven 16 17 thousand pounds and up to and including ten thousand pounds net weight shall be taxed at the rate of [2.25] cents a 18 19 pound; vehicles over ten thousand pounds net weight shall be **20** taxed at a flat rate of [\$300.] \$."

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- 1 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

Transportation; State Vehicle Weight Tax; State Registration Fees

Description:

Changes the state registration fee and the state vehicle weight tax amounts.

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