

ACT 59

S. B. NO. 53

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Interdepartmental Transportation Control Commission.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Findings and purpose. The legislature finds that transportation units in the State (1) constitute the single largest factor in poisoning the environment of Hawaii; (2) contribute in major proportions to ugliness, overcrowding, and pollution of Hawaii's air, water, and land; (3) affront the senses of all; and (4) present crucial health and safety hazards to the people of the State.

The purpose of this Act is to forestall devastation of the State resulting from adverse environmental effects of the various modes of transportation by establishing the interdepartmental transportation control commission and providing for limiting and curtailing the numbers and kinds of transportation units in the State.

SECTION 2. Interdepartmental transportation control commission. There is established the interdepartmental transportation control commission consisting of the director of environmental quality control, the director of

health, the director of transportation, and the director of planning and economic development. The commission shall determine annually, after consultation with the department of traffic and other appropriate departments of the respective counties, the number and size of transportation units of any kind whether they operate on the ground or over the ground, that may be within the territory of any island of the State at any one time. The commission shall make its determination on the basis of preserving, safeguarding, and enhancing the physical and mental health of the residents of the State, and the ecology and environmental quality of the State, and shall take into consideration the need for high priority and vital movement of people and goods.

SECTION 3. Commission report to legislature; legislation. The interdepartmental transportation control commission shall report its determinations made as provided in section 2 to the legislature twenty days prior to the opening of each regular session of the legislature. The legislature, on the basis of the annual commission report, shall transmit to the governor a bill to limit the number and size of transportation units of any kind that may be within the territory of any island of the State at any one time for the ensuing fiscal year.

SECTION 4. Effective date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 19, 1972.)