

A Bill for an Act Relating to a Staggered System of Motor Vehicle Registration.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to provide for the registration of motor vehicles in the various counties of Hawaii on a staggered basis, if a county elects to do so, and to authorize the Director of Finance of the county to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the purpose of the act.

SECTION 2. Section 286-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 286-51 Registration, expense. Every certificate of registration issued under this part shall expire at midnight on December 31 of each year and shall be renewed annually before April 1 of each year upon application by the registered owner by presentation of the last issued certificate of registration or the last issued application for renewal, such renewal to take effect as of January 1 of each year; provided that, the certificate of registration for each motor vehicle in the counties of the State may be renewed on a staggered basis, if a county elects to do so. The treasurer of each county may promulgate rules and regulations to carry

out the purposes stated in this section and shall expend the necessary funds from his operating funds as may be necessary for these purposes; provided further, that the treasurer, if he has ascertained as of the date of the application that the registered owner has not deposited or paid bail with respect to any summons or citation issued to the registered owner for stopping, standing, or parking in violation of traffic ordinances within the county, may require, as a condition precedent to the renewal, that the registered owner deposit or pay bail with respect to all such summons or citations. The certificates of registration issued hereunder shall show, in addition to all information required under section 286-47, the serial number of the tag or emblem and shall be valid during the registration year only for which they are issued. The certificates of ownership need not be renewed annually but shall remain valid as to any interest shown therein until canceled by the treasurer as provided by law or replaced by new certificates of ownership as hereinafter provided.

This part shall be administered by the treasurer in conjunction with the requirements of sections 249-1 to 249-13 and shall entail no additional expense or charge to the person registering the ownership of a motor vehicle other than as provided by this section or by other laws and the cost of container provided in section 286-47; provided, that for each new certificate of ownership issued by the treasurer under section 286-52, the treasurer shall charge a fee of \$1, which fee shall be deposited in the general fund.”

SECTION 3. The Director of Finance of each county shall expend the necessary funds from his operating funds as may be necessary for the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the underscoring.*

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 1978.

(Approved June 9, 1976.)

*Edited accordingly.