

A Bill for an Act Relating to Derelict Vehicle; Sale of Abandoned Vehicles by Towing Companies; and Motor Vehicle Repair Business.

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

SECTION 1. Section 290-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“~~[[§290-8]]~~ **Derelict vehicle.** A vehicle shall be deemed a derelict by the administrative head of the agency designated to carry out section 290-1 [under either one of the following conditions:

- (1) If the certificate of registration of the vehicle has expired and the registered and legal owner no longer resides at the address listed on the last certificate of registration on record with the county director of finance;
- (2) If the last registered and legal owner of record disclaims ownership;
- (3) If essential major parts have been removed so as to render the vehicle inoperable, and the vehicle identification numbers, license number plates and other means of identification have been removed so as to nullify efforts to locate or identify the registered and legal owner; or
- (4) If the vehicle registration records of the county director of finance contain no record that the vehicle has ever been registered in the county.]

if major parts have been removed so as to render the vehicle inoperable and one of the following conditions exists:

- (1) The vehicle is registered for the current registration period and the registered and legal owners no longer reside at the addresses on record with the county director of finance;
- (2) The vehicle has been registered for the current or previous registration period and the registered and legal owners disclaim ownership;
- (3) The vehicle identification number and license plates have been removed so as to nullify efforts to locate or identify the current registered and legal owners;
- (4) The vehicle has not been registered for the past two registration periods; or
- (5) The vehicle registration records of the county director of finance contain no record that the vehicle has ever been registered in the county.

Prior to authorizing the removal of a derelict vehicle, the administrative head of the agency designated to carry out section 290-1 must notify the county chief of police.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 21, 1983.)