A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that bicycling is growing in importance as a mode of transportation. Bicycling has many 2 benefits, including: 3 4 (1)Improved mobility, especially for those who cannot or choose not to drive; 5 6 (2) Lower road maintenance costs; 7 (3) Less traffic congestion; 8 (4)Less road widening and fewer parking lots; Improved air quality; and 9 (5) Improved health and reduced health costs. 10 (6) With rising gasoline prices, many people are looking for an 11 alternative method of transportation. It is far less expensive 12 13 to operate a bicycle than to operate an automobile. The purpose of this Act is to ensure the implementation of 14 a safe, continuous, and coordinated system of bikeways by 15 earmarking a percentage of the state highway fund for bikeways. 16 17 SECTION 2. Section 264-18, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 18

- "(a) Out of the state highway fund [reasonable amounts],
- 2 at least two per cent of federally allocated moneys shall be
- 3 expended as necessary by the State for the establishment of
- 4 bikeways. Bikeways shall be established, whenever practicable,
- 5 wherever a highway, road, or street is being constructed,
- 6 reconstructed, relocated, or rehabilitated[→]; provided that the
- 7 department of transportation shall include the bicycling
- 8 community in a public involvement process to determine when and
- 9 where a bikeway should be established."
- 10 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

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Report Title:

Transportation; Bikeways

Description:

Earmarks a percentage of federally allocated moneys from the state highway fund for bikeways. Requires DOT to involve the bicycling community in the planning of bikeways. (SD2)