

# S.B. NO. 2860

JAN 23 2014

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PARKED VEHICLES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 291C-112, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§291C-112 Certain uses of parked vehicles prohibited between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; definition; exceptions. (a) No person shall use any vehicle for purposes of human habitation, whether or not the vehicle is designed or equipped for that purpose, while the vehicle is parked on any roadway, street, or highway or other public property between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. or while the vehicle is parked on private property without authorization of the owner or occupant authorizing both the parking of the vehicle there and its use for purposes of human habitation.

(b) As used in this section, "purposes of human habitation" includes use as a dwelling place, living abode, or sleeping place.

(c) This section does not apply to the parking of vehicles and their use for purposes of human habitation in parks, camps, and other recreational areas in compliance with law and

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1 applicable rules and regulations, or under emergency conditions  
2 in the interest of vehicular safety.

3 ~~[(d) The department of health shall promulgate rules and~~  
4 ~~regulations, pursuant to chapter 91, necessary for the~~  
5 ~~administration of this section.]"~~

6 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
7 and stricken.

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

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10 INTRODUCED BY:



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**Report Title:**

Human Habitation in Parked Vehicles

**Description:**

Repeals the requirement that the Department of Health adopt rules pertaining to people living in parked vehicles.

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## JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Health

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PARKED VEHICLES.

PURPOSE: To repeal the requirement that the Department of Health adopt rules pertaining to human habitation within parked vehicles.

MEANS: Repeal section 291C-112(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

JUSTIFICATION: Department of Health (DOH) rules are unnecessary. Section 291C-112(a), HRS, already bans living in vehicles, with an exception for camping areas and other similar places under section 291C-112(b). Currently, the county and state police enforcement agencies enforce the law regarding parked vehicles on public and private property in response to public safety concerns. There is no need for more rules and regulations.

The main issue is homelessness and should be addressed more comprehensively, as the State is attempting now.

Impact on the public: No impact to the public is anticipated. Existing laws are sufficient.

Impact on the department and other agencies: This bill has no impact. Existing laws are sufficient.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION: None.

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OTHER AFFECTED  
AGENCIES:

State Department of Land and Natural  
Resources, State Department of  
Transportation - Highways Division, City and  
Counties of Oahu, Kauai, Maui and Hawaii -  
Police Departments.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon approval.