
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE TIRES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that improper disposal of
2 used motor vehicle tires poses a threat to human health and
3 safety and pollutes the environment. Tires that are disposed of
4 improperly are an ideal breeding ground for mosquitos, which are
5 vectors for many infectious diseases like dengue fever, zika
6 virus, west Nile virus, and chikungunya. Tires are a fire
7 hazard, are unsightly, and are costly to clean up when they are
8 abandoned or illegally dumped.

9 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to each
10 county and require each county to use a portion of its highway
11 beautification fee revenues to supplement expenses of cleanup of
12 improper tire disposal sites.

13 SECTION 2. Section 286-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

15 "(b) This part shall be administered by the director of
16 finance in conjunction with the requirements of sections 249-1
17 to 249-13 and shall entail no additional expense or charge to



1 the person registering the ownership of a motor vehicle other
 2 than as provided by this section or by other laws; provided that
 3 for each new certificate of ownership issued by the director of
 4 finance under section 286-52, the director of finance may charge
 5 a fee which shall be deposited in the general fund. The fees
 6 charged to issue a new certificate of ownership shall be
 7 established by the county's legislative body.

8 Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, an
 9 additional fee of not more than \$1 for each certificate of
 10 registration for a U-drive motor vehicle and \$2 for each
 11 certificate of registration for all other motor vehicles may be
 12 established by ordinance and collected annually by the director
 13 of finance of each county, to be used and administered by each
 14 county:

15 (1) For the purpose of beautification and other related
 16 activities of highways under the ownership, control,
 17 and jurisdiction of each county; and

18 (2) To defray the additional cost in the disposition and
 19 other related activities of abandoned or derelict
 20 vehicles as prescribed in chapter 290[-] and cleanup
 21 of improper tire disposal sites. For the purposes of



1 this paragraph, other related activities shall include
2 but need not be limited to any and all storage fees
3 that are negotiated between each county and a towing
4 company contracted by the county to remove and dispose
5 of abandoned or derelict vehicles.

6 The \$2 fee established pursuant to this subsection for
7 certificates of registration for motor vehicles other than U-
8 drive motor vehicles may be increased by ordinance up to a
9 maximum of \$10; provided that all amounts received from any fee
10 increase over \$2 shall be expended only for the purposes of
11 paragraph (2). The moneys so assessed and collected shall be
12 placed in a revolving fund entitled, "the highway beautification
13 and disposal of abandoned or derelict vehicles revolving
14 fund" [-]; provided that a portion of the moneys deposited into
15 the fund shall be used for cleanup of improper tire disposal
16 sites."

17 SECTION 3. Each county shall submit a report of its
18 statistics on the number of improperly disposed tires collected
19 and any other findings and recommendations, including any
20 proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty
21 days prior to the convening of each regular session.



1 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the special
2 account in the environmental management special fund the sum of
3 \$300,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
4 2018-2019 for cleanup of improper tire disposal sites, to be
5 allocated as follows:

- 6 (1) \$75,000 for the city and county of Honolulu;
- 7 (2) \$75,000 for the county of Hawaii;
- 8 (3) \$75,000 for the county of Kauai; and
- 9 (4) \$75,000 for the county of Maui.

10 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
11 health for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.



Report Title:

Motor Vehicle Tires; Recycling; County Authority; Improper Tire Disposal Cleanup; Appropriation

Description:

Requires each county to use a portion of its highway beautification fee revenues for cleanup of improper tire disposal sites. Appropriates funds from the special account in the environmental management special fund to each county for cleanup of improper tire disposal sites. Requires each county to report to the legislature statistics on the number of improperly disposed tires collected. (SD1)

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