
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§286- Autocycles; registration; requirements;
5 disclosure. (a) Every autocycle operated in this State shall
6 first be registered as a motor vehicle as provided in section
7 286-41.

8 (b) No person shall operate an autocycle on a public
9 street, road, or highway in this State unless the person
10 possesses a valid driver's license pursuant to section 286-
11 102(b)(3) and the autocycle has been duly registered pursuant to
12 subsection (a).

13 (c) Occupants in an autocycle not equipped with a front
14 windshield shall use eye protection.

15 (d) All occupants in an autocycle shall comply with the
16 seat belt requirements under section 291-11.6.



1 (e) All dealers, sellers, lessors, and rental agencies
2 shall be required to disclose the following regarding each
3 autocycle offered for sale, lease, or rent, as applicable:

4 (1) Whether the autocycle meets the federal Motor Vehicle
5 Safety Standards for passenger vehicles and light
6 trucks;

7 (2) Whether the autocycle is equipped with airbags; and

8 (3) Because autocycle rollover protection has not been
9 certified to protect an occupant from injury in the
10 event of a rollover, the use of a department of
11 transportation certified safety helmet is recommended
12 when operating an autocycle."

13 SECTION 2. Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted
15 and to read as follows:

16 "Autocycle" means a three-wheeled motor vehicle with a
17 steering wheel and non-straddle seating that is steered by
18 something other than a handlebar and is certified by the
19 manufacturer to comply with all applicable federal motor vehicle
20 safety standards as of the date of manufacture."



1 SECTION 3. Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending the definition of "motorcycle" to read as
3 follows:

4 "Motorcycle" means every motor vehicle having a seat or
5 saddle for use of the rider and designed to travel on not more
6 than three wheels in contact with the ground, including an
7 autocycle, but [~~excludes~~] excluding a farm tractor and a moped."

8 SECTION 4. Section 291C-152, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

10 "(b) [A] For motorcycles equipped with straddle seating, a
11 person shall ride upon [a] the motorcycle only while sitting
12 astride the seat, facing forward, with one leg on each side of
13 the motorcycle."

14 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

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Report Title:

Transportation; Autocycles; Registration

Description:

Establishes requirements for operating an autocycle. Defines autocycle. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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