
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that due to the shortage
2 of police officers in every county, enforcement of special no
3 stopping, standing, or parking zones throughout the State is
4 very limited. Unlike the department of transportation airport
5 and harbor divisions, the highway division does not have an
6 enforcement branch and relies on county police departments to
7 enforce traffic and safety violations.

8 The purpose of this Act is to improve public safety and
9 efficiency by allowing:

10 (1) State employees and contractors designated by the
11 chairperson of the board of land and natural
12 resources; and

13 (2) County employees or contractors, such as trained
14 county staff or park rangers designated by county
15 police chiefs,

16 to cite for certain traffic violations.



1 SECTION 2. Section 291C-167, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 **"§291C-167 Summons or citation on illegally parked**
4 **vehicle.** Whenever any motor vehicle without a driver is found
5 parked or stopped in violation of any of the restrictions
6 contained in the state traffic laws, the officer finding the
7 vehicle shall take its registration number and may take any
8 other information displayed on the vehicle that may identify its
9 registered owner and conspicuously shall affix to the vehicle a
10 citation, as described in section 291C-165, for the registered
11 owner of record to answer as provided in chapter 291D. For the
12 purposes of this section, "officer" shall include but not be
13 limited to any employee or contractor of the department of land
14 and natural resources designated by the director and any
15 employee or contractor of a county designated by the county's
16 chief of police to issue such citations."

17 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



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Report Title:

Traffic Code; Illegally Parked Vehicles; Citations; Counties;
DLNR

Description:

Amends the statewide traffic code to allow for the chairperson of the BLNR and county chiefs of police to designate state or county employees or contractors to issue citations for traffic violations. Effective upon approval. (SD2)

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