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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO REGISTRATION FEES.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 249-31.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:  
3           "**§249-31.5 Exemptions from registration fees for certain**  
4 **vehicles; reduced registration fees; disabled veterans.** (a) A  
5 disabled veteran who:  
6           (1) Is a resident of Hawaii;  
7           (2) Has been other than dishonorably discharged from the  
8 United States uniformed armed forces; and  
9           (3) Is determined by the United States Department of  
10 Veterans Affairs or its predecessor to have a service-  
11 connected one hundred per cent disability rating for  
12 compensation or a service-connected disability rating  
13 of one hundred per cent,  
14 shall be exempt from payment of all annual vehicle registration  
15 fees as required by section 249-31; provided that this exemption  
16 shall not extend to any vehicle used for commercial purposes or  
17 to more than one vehicle owned by the disabled veteran.



1        (b) A disabled veteran who:  
2        (1) Is a resident of Hawaii;  
3        (2) Has been other than dishonorably discharged from the  
4        United States uniformed armed forces; and  
5        (3) Is determined by the United States Department of  
6        Veterans Affairs or its predecessor to have a service-  
7        connected disability rating of fifty per cent or  
8        greater but less than one hundred per cent for  
9        compensation or a service-connected disability rating  
10       of fifty per cent or greater but less than one hundred  
11       per cent,  
12       shall pay a reduced annual vehicle registration fee as required  
13       by section 249-31 equal to fifty per cent of the amount required  
14       under that section; provided that this reduced fee shall not  
15       extend to any vehicle used for commercial purposes or to more  
16       than one vehicle owned by the disabled veteran.

17       ~~[(b)]~~ (c) The director of the office of veterans'  
18       services, in consultation with the policy advisory board on  
19       ~~[-]~~veterans' ~~[+]~~ services, shall submit a report to the  
20       legislature and the department of taxation no later than twenty  
21       days prior to the convening of each regular session providing



1 the legislature and the department of taxation with the total  
2 number of disabled veterans who qualify under this section for  
3 the exemption from or reduction in annual vehicle registration  
4 fees."

5 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
6 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
7 begun before its effective date.

8 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

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INTRODUCED BY:



# S.B. NO. 355

**Report Title:**

Disabled Veterans; Vehicle Registration Fees; Reduced Fee

**Description:**

Reduces the annual vehicle registration fee by fifty per cent for disabled veterans who have fifty per cent or more but less than one hundred per cent service-connected disability rating.

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