

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

July 12, 2022

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 12, 2022, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1414 HD1 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES. **ACT 297**

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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ACT 297

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2022 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the number of 2 abandoned and derelict vehicles on public streets throughout the 3 State remains a major issue. Abandoned vehicles present a widespread environmental hazard and are a public eyesore that 4 create unsafe and unhealthy conditions for Hawai'i's residents. 5 6 Abandoned vehicles further adversely impact the availability of 7 legal parking in many areas of the State. The legislature further finds that this public nuisance 8 9 stems from the ease of abandoning vehicles, leading to 10 individuals having multiple abandoned vehicles registered under 11 their name. The counties are inundated with complaints about abandoned and derelict vehicles and are often burdened with fronting the cost of towing and disposing of these vehicles,
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- with no means to recoup the costs. The legislature additionally 14
- finds that more needs to be done to deter and curtail 15
- 16 individuals from abandoning their vehicles by expanding
- penalties for those who have multiple abandoned vehicles. 17

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1	Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to make a person
2	who is the registered owner of a vehicle that was deemed
3	abandoned or derelict subject to a tiered fine system.
4	SECTION 2. Chapter 290, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5	amended by adding a new section to part III to be appropriately
6	designated and to read as follows:
7	"§290- Abandoned vehicles; repeat offender; penalty. A
8	person who is the registered owner of a vehicle that was deemed
9	abandoned or derelict pursuant to this chapter shall be subject
10	to a fine for each vehicle as follows:
11	(1) For the third violation, a fine of \$750; and
12	(2) For a fourth or subsequent violation, a fine of
13	<u>\$1,000.</u> "
14	SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
15	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
16	begun before its effective date.
17	SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.

APPROVED this 12th day of July , 2022

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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HB No. 1414, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 3, 2022 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: May 3, 2022 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2022.

resident of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate