
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.

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

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

4 "~~Special interest vehicle~~" means a vehicle ~~[of any age]~~
5 that [7] is at least thirty-five years old or is modified to
6 resemble a vehicle that is at least thirty-five years old and,
7 because of its significance, is being collected, preserved,
8 restored, or maintained by a collector. The term includes a
9 street rod vehicle and a street rod replica vehicle, as those
10 terms are defined in section 286-26.5 ~~[; a vehicle manufactured~~
11 ~~before 1968; and a vehicle manufactured after 1967 to resemble a~~
12 ~~vehicle manufactured before 1968]."~~

13 SECTION 2. Section 286-26.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 "~~§286-26.5 Special interest vehicles.~~ (a) As used in
16 this section:



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1 "Collector" means an owner of one or more vehicles,
2 including parts vehicles, who collects, purchases, acquires,
3 trades, or disposes of a vehicle or its parts, for the owner's
4 own use, to preserve, restore, and maintain the vehicle or
5 another vehicle for hobby or historical purposes.

6 "Parts vehicle" means a vehicle that is owned by a
7 collector to furnish parts for the restoration or maintenance of
8 a special interest vehicle.

9 "Street rod replica vehicle" means a vehicle that was
10 assembled from a manufactured kit, either as:

11 (1) A complete kit to construct a new vehicle consisting
12 of a prefabricated body and chassis;

13 (2) Components manufactured [~~before 1968;~~] at least
14 thirty-five years prior to the date the component is
15 being sold; or

16 (3) Components manufactured [~~after 1967 to resemble a~~
17 ~~vehicle manufactured before 1968;~~] to resemble a
18 vehicle that is at least thirty-five years old;

19 and that has been modified in its body style or design through
20 the use of nonoriginal or reproduction components, such as the
21 frame, engine, drive train, suspension, or brakes, in a manner



1 that does not adversely affect its safe performance as a motor
2 vehicle or render the vehicle unlawful for use on public
3 highways.

4 "Street rod vehicle" means a vehicle that was:

- 5 (1) Manufactured [~~before 1968;~~] at least thirty-five years
6 prior to the date the vehicle is being registered as a
7 street rod vehicle; or
8 (2) Manufactured [~~after 1967 to resemble a vehicle~~
9 ~~manufactured before 1968;~~] to resemble a vehicle that
10 is at least thirty-five years old;

11 and that has been modified in its body style or design through
12 the use of nonoriginal or reproduction components, such as the
13 frame, engine, drive train, suspension, or brakes, in a manner
14 that does not adversely affect its safe performance as a motor
15 vehicle or render the vehicle unlawful for use on public
16 highways. The term does not include a motorcycle, an antique
17 vehicle, or a restored vehicle.

18 (b) If a street rod vehicle was manufactured [~~before 1968]~~
19 at least thirty-five years prior to the date the vehicle is
20 being or was registered as a street rod vehicle and has been
21 modified in body style or design, the make and year of the



1 vehicle shall be the year the vehicle most nearly resembles. If
2 a street rod vehicle was manufactured [~~after 1967~~] to resemble a
3 vehicle [~~manufactured before 1968,~~] that is at least thirty-five
4 years old, the body type of the vehicle shall be street rod
5 vehicle or "STRD".

6 (c) A state vehicle identification number shall be issued
7 to a street rod vehicle that was manufactured [~~after 1967~~] to
8 resemble a vehicle [~~manufactured before 1968,~~] that is at least
9 thirty-five years old, when no vehicle identification number is
10 present on the vehicle; when more than one vehicle
11 identification number is present on the vehicle; or when the
12 vehicle identification number is absent from the body or frame,
13 or both, of the vehicle. The state vehicle identification
14 number shall be assigned by the director of finance of the
15 county in which the vehicle resides; provided that not more than
16 one hundred vehicle identification numbers shall be issued
17 annually.

18 To obtain a state vehicle identification number under this
19 subsection, the owner of a street rod vehicle that was
20 manufactured [~~after 1967~~] to resemble a vehicle [~~manufactured~~



1 ~~before 1968]~~ that is at least thirty-five years old shall
2 provide:

- 3 (1) A title of ownership from the previous owner of the
4 vehicle's body or frame;
- 5 (2) A bill of sale or invoices for all major parts used in
6 the modification of the vehicle; and
- 7 (3) A weight certificate issued by a state-certified scale
8 for the actual weight of the vehicle.

9 (d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary:

- 10 (1) Street rod vehicles and street rod replica vehicles
11 shall be equipped with the following equipment:
 - 12 (A) Hydraulic service brakes on all wheels;
 - 13 (B) Sealed beam or halogen headlights;
 - 14 (C) Turn signals and a turn signaling switch;
 - 15 (D) Safety glass or lexan windshield;
 - 16 (E) Electric or vacuum windshield wiper located in
17 front of the driver;
 - 18 (F) Standard or DOT/SAE-approved tail lights;
 - 19 (G) A parking brake that operates on at least two
20 wheels on the same axle; and



- 1 (H) Seat belt assembly as provided in section 291-
2 11.6;
- 3 (2) Street rod vehicles and street rod replica vehicles
4 shall be equipped in such a manner that no part of a
5 vehicle, other than the vehicle's tires, will make
6 contact with the surface of a flat highway when the
7 vehicle is operated on the same;
- 8 (3) Bumpers, hoods, door handles, and fenders shall be
9 optional equipment on street rod vehicles and street
10 rod replica vehicles; and
- 11 (4) Bumpers, hoods, door handles, and fenders shall be
12 optional equipment on vehicles manufactured [~~before~~
13 ~~1968,~~] at least thirty-five years prior to the date
14 the vehicle is being or was registered as a street rod
15 vehicle and on vehicles manufactured [~~after 1967 to~~
16 ~~resemble a vehicle manufactured before 1968.~~] to
17 resemble a vehicle manufactured at least thirty-five
18 years prior to the date the vehicle is being or was
19 registered as a street rod vehicle.



1 In the event of a conflict between this subsection and
2 equipment requirements specified in chapters 286, 291, and 291C,
3 this subsection shall control.

4 (e) If a street rod replica vehicle was assembled from a
5 manufactured kit as a complete kit to construct a new vehicle
6 consisting of a prefabricated body and chassis, the year of the
7 vehicle shall be the year the vehicle resembles as reflected on
8 the manufacturer's certificate of origin. If a street rod
9 replica vehicle was assembled from a manufactured kit as
10 components manufactured [~~before 1968~~] at least thirty-five years
11 prior to the date the components are being sold or components
12 manufactured [~~after 1967~~] to resemble a vehicle manufactured
13 [~~before 1968,~~] at least thirty-five years prior to the date the
14 components are being sold, the year of the vehicle shall be the
15 year the vehicle resembles as reflected on the manufacturer's
16 certificate of origin. The certificate of title for a street
17 rod replica vehicle shall be for the make and year the vehicle
18 resembles, and the body type of the vehicle shall be street rod
19 vehicle replica (STRD-RPLC).

20 (f) The state vehicle identification number of a street
21 rod replica vehicle that was assembled from a manufactured kit



1 as a complete kit to construct a new vehicle consisting of a
2 prefabricated body and chassis shall be taken from the
3 manufacturer's certificate of origin. The state vehicle
4 identification number shall be assigned by the director of
5 finance of the county in which the vehicle resides; provided
6 that not more than one hundred vehicle identification numbers
7 shall be issued annually.

8 The state vehicle identification number of a street rod
9 replica vehicle that was assembled from a manufactured kit as
10 components manufactured [~~before 1968~~] at least thirty-five years
11 prior to the date the components are being sold, or components
12 manufactured [~~after 1967~~] to resemble a vehicle manufactured
13 [~~before 1968,~~] at least thirty-five years prior to the date the
14 components are being sold, shall be taken from the
15 manufacturer's certificate of origin or provided by the director
16 of finance of the county in which the vehicle resides.

17 To obtain a state vehicle identification number under this
18 subsection, the owner of a street rod replica vehicle shall
19 provide:

20 (1) Ownership documents from the manufacturer of the kit
21 or components;



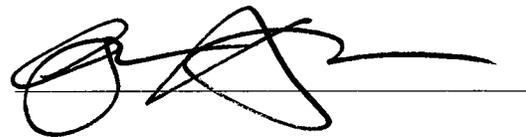
- 1 (2) All shipping and freight documents for the kit or
- 2 components; and
- 3 (3) A weight certificate issued by a state-certified scale
- 4 for the actual weight of the vehicle.
- 5 (g) A state vehicle identification number shall be issued
- 6 to a street rod replica vehicle when the vehicle identification
- 7 number is absent from the body or frame, or both, of the
- 8 vehicle; or when the vehicle identification number is absent
- 9 from the manufacturer's certificate of origin. The state
- 10 vehicle identification number shall be assigned by the director
- 11 of finance of the county in which the vehicle resides; provided
- 12 that not more than one hundred vehicle identification numbers
- 13 shall be issued annually."

14 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

Special Interest Vehicles; Street Rod Vehicles; Street Rod
Replica Vehicles

Description:

Defines "special interest vehicles" as vehicles that are at least 35 years old or vehicles modified to resemble vehicles that are at least 35 years old. Makes conforming amendments to provisions relating to street rod vehicles and street rod replica vehicles.

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