THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII S.B. NO. 497

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 291C, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	" <u>§291C-</u> Oversized commercial vehicles; prohibition from
5	using left lane. (a) Upon any roadway having two lanes for
6	moving traffic, no commercial vehicle weighing ten thousand
7	pounds or more shall be driven in the left lane unless:
8	(1) The commercial vehicle is able to maintain speed with
9	existing traffic flow; and
10	(2) The commercial vehicle is in the process of overtaking
11	and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same
12	direction under the rules governing such movement.
13	(b) Upon any roadway having three or more lanes for moving
14	traffic, no commercial vehicle weighing ten thousand pounds or
15	more shall be driven in the left lane.
16	(c) For the purposes of this section, "commercial vehicle"
17	shall have the same meaning as in section 291-11.5."



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1 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

2 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

Oversized Commercial Vehicles; Left Lane; Prohibition

Description:

Prohibits commercial vehicles weighing ten thousand pounds or more from driving in the left lane on all roadways with two lanes unless the commercial vehicle is able to maintain speed with existing traffic flow and is in the process of passing another vehicle. Prohibits commercial vehicles weighing ten thousand pounds or more from driving in the left lane on all roadways with three or more lanes.

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