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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	"§291C- Oversized commercial vehicles; prohibition from
5	using left lane. (a) Upon any roadway having three or more
6	lanes for traffic moving in the same direction, no commercial
7	vehicle weighing ten thousand pounds or more shall be driven in
8	the far left lane unless:
9	(1) The commercial vehicle is able to maintain speed with
10	existing traffic flow; and
11	(2) The commercial vehicle is in the process of overtaking
12	and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same
13	direction under the rules governing such movement.
14	(b) This section shall not apply to commercial vehicles
15	occupying the left lane for the purpose of turning left or
16	exiting, or preparing to turn left or exit.
17	(c) For the purposes of this section, "commercial vehicle"
18	shall have the same meaning as in section 291-11.5. "Commercial
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vehicle" does not include buses or van pools operated by the counties." SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored. SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2024.





Report Title: Oversized Commercial Vehicles; Left Lane; Prohibition

Description: Prohibits certain oversized commercial vehicles from driving in the far left lane on roadways with three or more lanes for traffic moving in the same direction, subject to certain exceptions. Effective 1/1/2024. (CD1)

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