A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 249-9.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "\$249-9.1 Special number plates. In addition to the
- 4 number plates contracted on behalf of the counties by the
- 5 director of finance of the city and county of Honolulu, the
- 6 director of finance may provide, upon request, special number
- 7 plates. The special number plates shall conform to the
- 8 requirements provided for the uniform number plates except that
- 9 the owner may request the choice and arrangement of letters and
- 10 numbers. The maximum number of letters and numbers shall be six
- 11 and only one hyphen will be allowed in addition to and in lieu
- 12 of the six letters and numerals. No other punctuation marks
- 13 shall be allowed. Effective January 1, 2024, appropriate
- 14 diacritical marks may be allowed for Hawaiian words. The
- 15 director of finance shall not issue special number plates which
- 16 have the letter and numeral combination of regular plates, are
- 17 misleading or publicly objectionable. The fee for special

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- 1 number plates shall be \$60 upon initial application and \$60 upon
- 2 each annual renewal of the vehicle registration. This fee shall
- 3 not be refundable. Re-application for special number plates
- 4 must be made upon a change in design of regular plates. The
- 5 director of finance may discard and allow for new applications
- 6 of inactive special number plates that have not been assigned or
- 7 registered during the preceding three years. The director of
- 8 finance shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to carry out
- 9 this section."
- 10 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 11 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on June 30, 3000.

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Report Title:

City and County of Honolulu Package; License Plates; Diacritical Marks

Description:

Authorizes the use of diacritical marks for Hawaiian words on special number plates. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

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