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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the single fastest 2 growing contributor to an increasing cost of living in Hawaii is 3 now the rising cost of transportation. Due to increasingly 4 expensive fossil fuels and a lack of cheaper transit options, 5 Hawaii residents already pay among the highest cost to commute in the country. In January 2022, the United States Bureau of 6 7 Labor Statistics reported that auto-related costs were an 8 astonishing twenty-three per cent higher in December 2021 than a 9 year earlier, accelerating a trend of increasing transit costs 10 contributing to Hawaii's rising cost of living.

11 The legislature further finds that numerous public 12 employees commute to work by car and must pay for parking at 13 their workplaces. However, public employees wishing to split 14 the cost of sharing a single stall while carpooling in different 15 cars on different days are currently prohibited by the 16 department of accounting and general services from doing so. 17 Many people are also opting to drive electric vehicles, which

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are significantly cheaper to operate and maintain than gas
 vehicles, and many major manufacturers have already committed to
 cease the production and sale of gas-powered vehicles by 2030
 and 2035, respectively. However, infrastructure for charging
 those vehicles in the workplace does not exist.

6 The legislature further finds that numerous public 7 employees who bicycle to work have no secure bicycle storage. 8 Employees have had bicycles stolen while locked in racks on the 9 upper floors of the Kalanimoku building, State Capitol, and 10 other public facilities. This limits the ability for employees 11 to save, on average, nearly \$13,000 each year by commuting to 12 work by bicycle rather than car.

13 The purpose of this Act is to:

14 (1) Help reduce the cost of living and cost of15 transportation for public employees by:

16 (A) Enabling parking stall sharing between employees;
17 (B) Requiring new parking stalls to be constructed to
18 accommodate electric vehicle charging; and

19 (C) Providing secure bicycle storage lockers at20 public facilities; and



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(2) Reducing the cost of transportation for residents of
 public housing by ensuring future access to electric
 vehicle charging stations and secure bicycle storage
 lockers.

5 SECTION 2. (a) The department of accounting and general 6 services, in collaboration with the department of 7 transportation, shall make parking stall sharing available to 8 public employees by allowing two or more public employees to 9 share the cost of a parking stall and allowing multiple cars to 10 use that stall as appropriate; provided that the total cost for 11 sharing a parking stall between two or more employees shall not 12 exceed the cost of any one stall for any one employee.

13 (b) The department of accounting and general services, in 14 collaboration with the department of transportation, shall 15 ensure that every new parking stall constructed and made 16 available to public employees shall be pre-wired to accommodate, 17 at a minimum, level 2 electric vehicle charging stations. The 18 department of accounting and general services, in partnership 19 with the department of transportation, shall develop a plan to 20 retrofit existing parking facilities to enable workplace

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charging capable of serving all public employee vehicles by
 2030.

3 (c) The department of accounting and general services, in collaboration with the department of transportation, shall 4 provide a reasonable number of secure, enclosed bicycle storage 5 lockers at all facilities where vehicle parking is made 6 7 available to public employees; provided that the employee cost 8 of secure storage of a bicycle in an enclosed locker shall not 9 exceed twenty per cent of the cost of a vehicle parking stall. 10 The number of secure bicycle storage lockers shall be regularly increased to meet or exceed expected demand. A means to charge 11 12 electric bicycles and micro-mobility transportation devices 13 shall be made available at the location of each storage locker or lockers. 14

15 SECTION 3. All new public housing parking stalls shall be 16 pre-wired to accommodate, at a minimum, level 2 electric vehicle 17 charging stations. All new public housing developments shall 18 provide for secure, enclosed bicycle storage lockers at all 19 facilities. The number of secure bicycle storage lockers shall 20 be regularly increased to meet or exceed expected demand. A 21 means to charge electric bicycles and micro-mobility

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1 transportation devices shall be made available at the location 2 of each storage locker or lockers. 3 SECTION 4. The department of accounting and general 4 services, in collaboration with the department of transportation, shall develop, implement, administer, and manage 5 various transportation system programs that shall include but 6 7 not be limited to parking stall sharing between employees, 8 construction or conversion of parking stalls to accommodate electric vehicle charging, and secure bicycle storage lockers at 9 10 public facilities.

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SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.

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Report Title:

Department of Accounting and General Services; Department of Transportation; Parking Stall Sharing; Electric Vehicle Charging Station; Bicycle Storage Locker; Public Employees; Public Housing

Description:

Requires the Department of Accounting and General Services to collaborate with the Department of Transportation to enable parking stall sharing among public employees, accommodate more electric vehicle charging stations, and provide bicycle storage lockers at facilities where parking is made available to public employees. Requires new public housing developments' parking stalls to accommodate electric vehicle charging stations and bicycle storage lockers. Effective 7/1/2112. (SD1)

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