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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that emissions from  
2 private vehicles account for twenty-eight per cent of all  
3 greenhouse gas emissions in the country. The output of these  
4 emissions peaks at normal commuting hours before and after the  
5 workday. A key component to meeting the State's decarbonization  
6 goals will be the reduction of vehicle miles travelled by  
7 commuters, which can be done through several mechanisms,  
8 including public transportation. Public transit produces  
9 significantly less air pollution in comparison to a car carrying  
10 one driver, and studies have shown that bus transit is sixty  
11 times safer than driving.

12           The legislature further finds that opting for public  
13 transit over private vehicles for commutes helps drivers save  
14 money on fuel, insurance, parking, and vehicle maintenance  
15 costs, which can reduce the cost of living for Hawaii residents.

16           The legislature also finds that the State has a  
17 responsibility to lead in the decarbonization transition and



1 should encourage the utilization of public transportation that  
2 encourages fuel efficiency per passenger mile and contributes to  
3 an overall decrease in the necessary amount of energy for  
4 transportation.

5 The purpose of this Act is to require the department of  
6 human resources development to include bikeshare or other micro-  
7 mobility devices into the pre-tax transportation benefit pilot  
8 program.

9 SECTION 2. (a) The department of human resources  
10 development shall incorporate bikeshare and other micro-mobility  
11 devices within the pre-tax transportation benefit pilot program.

12 (b) For the purposes of this section "micro-mobility  
13 device" means any ground transportation device such as a  
14 standing scooter, skateboard, board riding on a single or double  
15 wheels, or similar device that is powered by electricity from a  
16 battery charged from an external source, in addition to human  
17 power, or exclusively by human power, that is designed to  
18 transport a single person, with a range exceeding not less than  
19 twelve miles per hour and maximum speed of twenty-eight miles  
20 per hour, on which a person may reasonably commute to and from  
21 regular destinations.



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



**Report Title:**

DHRD; State Employees; Pre-tax Transportation Benefit Pilot Program; Public Transit

**Description:**

Requires the Department of Human Resources Development to incorporate bikeshare and micro-mobility devices into the Pre-tax Transportation Benefit Pilot Program's commuter benefits. (SD1)

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