ACT 261

H.B. NO. 1637-84

A Bill for an Act Relating to Abandoned Vehicles.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 290-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§290-1 Disposition by counties of certain abandoned vehicles. The counties [of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui and the city and county of Honolulu] may cause to be taken into custody, and [to] dispose of [the same], vehicles which have been [left unattended for a continuous period of more than twenty-four hours and which are unlawfully on any public highway or other public property, or which have been left on private property without authorization of the owner or occupant of the property.] abandoned. A vehicle is "abandoned", for the purposes of this section, if it is defined to be abandoned by an ordinance of the county in which the vehicle is located; in the absence of such an ordinance, a vehicle is "abandoned" if it is unlawfully parked on any public highway or other public property. The mayors of the several counties may designate an agency within their counties to carry out the functions and requirements of this section. The term "agency" means any office, department, or other governmental unit of the county."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

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

(Approved June 5, 1984.)