

ACT 131

H.B. NO. 2424

A Bill for an Act Relating to Temporary Number Plates.

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

SECTION 1. Section 249-7.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“~~[[§249-7.5]]~~ **New motor vehicle with a temporary number [plates.] plate.** Any person who has purchased a new motor vehicle which has attached a temporary number [plates] plate under section 286-53 shall register the new motor vehicle in accordance with this chapter within twenty days after taking possession of the motor vehicle. For the purposes of this chapter, the registration of such a motor vehicle shall be considered an original registration under section 249-7. Within thirty days of the original registration of such a motor vehicle, the director of finance shall furnish two number plates and the valid tag or emblem appropriate for the year of registration, if any, which shall be attached to the motor vehicle as provided under section 249-7. Upon attachment of the number

plates, the temporary number [plates] plate provided under section 286-53 shall be destroyed.”

SECTION 2. Section 286-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

“(e) Whenever a new motor vehicle dealer sells a new motor vehicle to a person, the new motor vehicle dealer shall detach the permanent number [plate] issued under subsection (c) from that new motor vehicle and replace it with [two] one temporary motor vehicle [plates.] plate. The temporary number [plates] plate shall be attached to the rear of the vehicle in the same location as required for number plates under section 249-7. The new motor vehicle dealer shall only print upon the temporary motor vehicle [plates] plate the:

- (1) Date which is thirty working days after the date which the person takes possession, which date shall be placed in the middle of [each] the temporary number plate in numbers not less than four inches in height;
- (2) Name and address of the new owner;
- (3) Name and address of the new motor vehicle dealer;
- (4) Serial number of the new motor vehicle; and
- (5) Date the new motor vehicle owner took possession of the motor vehicle.

Items [(2)] (3) through (5) shall be printed in the upper left corner of the temporary number [plates.] plate.

The temporary number [plates] plate shall be valid through the date listed in item (1). Any person who operates a motor vehicle with an expired or invalid temporary number plate shall be fined not more than \$100.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon approval.

(Approved June 15, 1990.)