
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Act 290, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997,
2 established incentives for the registration, licensing, parking,
3 and operation of electric vehicles.

4 The purpose of this Act is to supersede Act 290, Session
5 Laws of Hawaii 1997.

6 SECTION 2. (a) The department of transportation may adopt
7 rules pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the
8 registration of, and issuance of special license plates for,
9 electric vehicles.

10 (b) An electric vehicle on which an electric vehicle
11 license plate is affixed shall be exempt from payment of parking
12 fees, including those collected through parking meters, charged
13 by any state or county authority in this State, except that this
14 exemption shall not apply:

15 (1) For more than two and one-half hours of metered
16 parking, or the maximum amount of time the meter
17 allows, whichever is longer; or



1 (2) To parking fees assessed in increments longer than one
2 twenty-four-hour day, including weekly, monthly, or
3 annual parking permits.

4 (c) An electric vehicle on which an electric vehicle
5 license plate is affixed shall be exempt from high occupancy
6 vehicle lane restrictions.

7 (d) For the purposes of this Act:

8 "Electric vehicle" means:

- 9 (1) A neighborhood electric vehicle; or
10 (2) A vehicle, with four or more wheels, that draws
11 propulsion energy from a battery with at least four
12 kilowatt hours of energy storage capacity that can be
13 recharged from an external source of electricity.

14 SECTION 3. Act 290, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997, is
15 repealed.

16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval
17 and shall be repealed on June 30, 2020.



Report Title:

Electric Vehicles

Description:

Repeals Act 290, Session Laws of Hawaii 1997. Authorizes the Department of Transportation to adopt rules for the registration of, and issuance of license plates for, electric vehicles. Exempts electric vehicles from parking fees under certain conditions. Sunsets June 30, 2020. (CD1)

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