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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to require  
2 approaching vehicles to slow and change lanes when hearing  
3 certain emergency vehicles that are stopped for official duties,  
4 by amending the definition of "emergency vehicle" in the  
5 statewide traffic code to include these vehicles.

6           SECTION 2. Section 291C-27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
7 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

8           "(b) As used in this section, "emergency vehicle" means a  
9 police or fire department vehicle, ocean safety vehicle,  
10 emergency medical services vehicle, freeway service patrol  
11 vehicle, sheriff division vehicle, Hawaii emergency management  
12 agency vehicle, county emergency management vehicle, civil  
13 defense vehicle, department of transportation harbors division  
14 vehicle, department of land and natural resources division of  
15 conservation and resources enforcement vehicle, or a tow truck."

16           SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
17 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
18 begun before its effective date.



1 SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.  
2 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 7, 2059.  
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**Report Title:**

Emergency Vehicles; Move Over Law; Civil Defense

**Description:**

Amends the definition of "emergency vehicle" to include sheriff division vehicles, Hawaii emergency management agency vehicles, civil defense vehicles, DOT harbors division vehicles, DLNR division of conservation and resources enforcement vehicles, and county emergency management vehicles to require approaching vehicles to slow and change lanes when nearing the emergency vehicle when it is stopped for official duties. Effective on 01/07/2059. (SD2)

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