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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BICYCLES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 291C-145, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

3 "(c) Whenever a usable bicycle lane has been provided on a  
4 highway, any person operating a bicycle [~~at a speed less than~~  
5 ~~the normal speed of traffic moving in the same direction at such~~  
6 ~~time]~~ shall ride within [~~such~~] the bicycle lane, except that  
7 [~~such~~] the person may move out of the lane under any of the  
8 following situations:

- 9 (1) When overtaking and passing another bicycle, vehicle,  
10 or pedestrian within the lane or about to enter the  
11 lane if [~~such~~] overtaking and passing cannot be done  
12 safely within the lane;
- 13 (2) When preparing for a left turn at an intersection or  
14 into a private road or driveway; or
- 15 (3) When reasonably necessary to leave the bicycle lane to  
16 avoid debris or other hazardous conditions.



1        Any person in violation of this subsection shall be fined  
2 not more than \$                    per violation."

3        SECTION 2. Section 291C-148, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

5        "(b) Unless otherwise prohibited, a bicycle may be driven  
6 at a speed of ten miles per hour or less on a sidewalk or  
7 sidewalk area; provided that [~~the~~]:

8        (1) The driver of the bicycle shall yield the right-of-way  
9        to any pedestrian [~~and that bicycle~~];

10       (2) Bicycle riding shall be prohibited on sidewalks in  
11       business districts[-]; and

12       (3) Whenever a usable bicycle lane is available, the  
13       driver of the bicycle shall ride within that bicycle  
14       lane, except that the driver may move out of the  
15       bicycle lane under any of the following situations:

16       (A) When overtaking and passing another bicycle,  
17       vehicle, or pedestrian within the lane or about  
18       to enter the lane if overtaking and passing  
19       cannot be done safely within the lane;

20       (B) When preparing for a left turn at an intersection  
21       or into a private road or driveway; or



1            (C) When reasonably necessary to leave the bicycle  
2            lane to avoid debris or other hazardous  
3            conditions.

4            Any person in violation of this subsection shall be fined  
5 not more than \$                    per violation."

6            SECTION 3. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
7 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
8 begun before its effective date.

9            SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11           SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Bicycles; Bicycle Lane; Fines; Traffic Safety

**Description:**

Requires all individuals operating a bicycle to ride within a bicycle lane, if a bicycle lane is available for use, and provides for the assessment of fines for each violation.

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