REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

Voting Members:
Val A. Okimoto, Chair; Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair;
Esther Kia'āina, Augie Tulba, Tommy Waters

Committee Meeting Held
September 23, 2025

Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Budget, which considered Bill 62 (2024), CD1 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION,"

which passed second reading and was the subject of a public hearing at the September 3, 2025 Council meeting, reports as follows:

The purpose of the bill is to amend the City's fees for motor vehicle registration.

Kimberly M. Hashiro, Director of Customer Services, provided comments on the bill and answered questions from the Committee.

Your Committee amended and approved the bill to a CD2 version that makes the following amendments:

A. Amends SECTION 4 to change the effective date to July 1, 2026.

B. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

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Your Committee on Budget is in accord with the intent and purpose of Bill 62 (2024), CD1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass third reading in the form attached hereto as Bill 62 (2024), CD2. (Ayes: Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Waters – 5; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

Val A. Okimoto

Committee Chair

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ORDINANCE _____

BILL **62 (2024), CD2**

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to amend the City's fees for motor vehicle registration.

SECTION 2. Section 15A-4.1, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 15A-4.1 Fee for registration, number plates, and tags or emblems.

(a) [~~The~~] *Annual motor vehicle registration.*

(1) Except as provided by subdivision (2), the annual fee for the registration of a motor vehicle [~~shall be~~] is $20.

(2) A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who is 65 years of age or older and who was not dishonorably discharged is exempt from the payment of the annual registration fee established in subdivision (1) for one motor vehicle per year.

(b) Fees for any one or more of the following: the number plates or tags or emblems shall be:

(1) Number plate: $5; and

(2) Tag or emblem: 50 cents.

(c) For a registration involving a reassignment of number plates, pursuant to a request from an owner of a motor vehicle registered in the city, to another motor vehicle subsequently acquired by the owner, the fee [~~shall be~~] is $5.

(d) All fees collected under this section [~~shall~~] must be deposited in the general fund."

SECTION 3. Ordinance material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New material is underscored. When revising, compiling, or printing this ordinance for inclusion in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the Revisor of Ordinances need not

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include the brackets, the material that has been bracketed and stricken, or the underscoring.

SECTION 4. This ordinance takes effect on July 1, 2026.

INTRODUCED BY:

Andria Tupola

Augie Tulba

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

November 8, 2024
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this _____day of _____, 20 ____.

RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

Report Title:
Motor Vehicle Registration Fee; Exemption; Veterans; United States Armed Forces; Dishonorable Discharge; Seniors; Department of Customer Services ("CSD")

Description:
Provides an exemption from the county motor vehicle registration fee for one vehicle for veterans 65 years of age or older who were not dishonorably discharged from the United States armed forces, effective July 1, 2026.

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