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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSING.

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

| 1 | SECT | ION 1. Section 286-239, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
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| 2 | amended b | y amending subsection (g) to read as follows: |
| 3 | " (g) | Commercial driver licenses shall expire as follows: |
| 4 | (1) | An initial or renewed commercial driver's license with |
| 5 | | a hazardous materials endorsement shall expire no |
| 6 | | later than five years from its date of issuance, |
| , 7 | | except if the licensee is seventy-two years of age or |
| 8 | | older. The expiration date of a commercial driver's |
| 9 | | license with a hazardous materials endorsement shall |
| 10 | | be the same expiration date as the hazardous materials |
| 11 | | endorsement. If the licensee is seventy-two years of |
| 12 | | age or older, the initial or renewed commercial |
| 13 | | driver's license with a hazardous materials |
| 14 | · | endorsement shall not exceed two years. |
| 15 | (2) | All other initial commercial driver's licenses shall |
| 16 | | be valid for not [less] more than [[a] two or six- |
| 17 | | year] an eight-year period, [beginning] expiring on |

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the driver's birthday. All other renewed licenses 1 shall be valid for not more than [fa] two- or six 2 year] an eight-year period from the expiration date of 3 the previous valid license. With the exception of a 4 commercial driver's license with a hazardous materials 5 6 endorsement, the commercial driver's license shall expire on the next birthday of the licensee occurring [six] not more than eight years after the date of 8 issuance of the license unless sooner revoked, 9 suspended, or canceled; provided that, unless sooner 10 revoked, the license shall expire on the second 11 birthday of the licensee following the issuance of the 12 license if at that time the licensee is seventy-two 13 years of age or older." 14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the state highway 15 fund the sum of \$8,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary 16 for fiscal year 2010-2011 for the purpose of implementing this 17 extension of the commercial driver's license to prepare for the 18 REAL ID Act. 19 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 20 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 21

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| 1 | SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on September 1, |
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| 2 | 2010. |
| 3 | INTRODUCED BY: |
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| 5 | BY REQUEST |

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Report Title:

Highway; Commercial Driver Licensing; REAL ID; Expiration Term

Description:

Extend the term of a commercial driver's license (CDL) for persons 21 years through 71 years from six years to eight years to prepare for the REAL ID Act, which is a nationwide effort to improve the integrity and security of state-issued driver licenses and identification cards, to help fight terrorism and reduce fraud. Appropriate \$8,000 out of the state highway fund.

JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:

Transportation

TITLE:

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL

DRIVER LICENSING.

PURPOSE:

To extend the term of a commercial driver's license (CDL) for persons 21 years through 71 years from six years to a maximum of eight years. Appropriation to implement the CDL

term extension.

MEANS:

Amend section 286-239(g), Hawaii Revised Statutes. Appropriate \$8,000 out of the state highway fund for fiscal year 2010-2011.

JUSTIFICATION:

The intent of the proposed change is to prepare for the REAL ID Act, which is a nationwide effort to improve the integrity and security of state-issued driver licenses and identification cards, which in turn will help fight terrorism and reduce fraud.

The validity period for a REAL ID driver license cannot exceed eight years.

Impact on the public: CDL holders, without a hazardous materials endorsement, aged 21 through 71 years will be issued a maximum eight-year instead of six-year CDL.

Impact on the department and other agencies: The Honolulu Department of Information Technology must make the programming changes to the Hawaii driver licensing system and DOT will need to pay for the changes.

GENERAL FUND:

None.

OTHER FUNDS:

\$8,000 in special funds.

PPBS PROGRAM

DESIGNATION:

TRN 597.

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OTHER AFFECTED

AGENCIES:

County Driver Licensing Offices, County

Police Departments, and HDOT Motor Carrier

Safety Section.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

September 1, 2010.