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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§286- Reciprocal licensing privileges. (a) A
nonresident operator of a motor vehicle who is the holder of a
license to operate a motor vehicle in the country in which the
nonresident operator resides is not required to obtain a
driver's license to operate a passenger car or truck, as those
terms are defined in section 286-2, classified as category 3
under section 286-102, within this State, if the operator does
not receive compensation for the operation of the category 3
passenger car or truck; provided that:

(1) The director determines that the standards of the
other country for licensing operators correspond
substantially to those of this State and that the
other country extends the same privileges to persons
licensed to operate motor vehicles by this State; and



(2) The director and the other country have exchanged written agreements confirming the reciprocal extension of privileges to operate motor vehicles.

(b) The director shall publish on its public internet site a list of the countries for which reciprocal operating privileges have been extended and those that have been withdrawn. The most recent list shall be transmitted to the courts, county prosecuting attorneys, and county police chiefs.

(c) The director may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 necessary for the purposes of this section."

SECTION 2. Section 286-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

~~["§286-11] Driver's license reciprocity committee. (a) The director shall establish a statewide driver's license reciprocity committee consisting of one representative from the department of transportation and the chief examiner of drivers of each county, or their designees. The committee shall convene whenever a foreign country makes a request for driver's license reciprocity.~~

~~(b) The statewide driver's license reciprocity committee shall evaluate the written knowledge and practical examination~~



1 ~~program of the foreign country requesting driver's license~~
2 ~~reciprocity.~~

3 ~~(c) Members of the statewide driver's license reciprocity~~
4 ~~committee shall serve voluntarily and without compensation, but~~
5 ~~shall be paid reasonable allowances for travel and expenses that~~
6 ~~may be incurred as a result of the performance of their duties~~
7 ~~on the committee. The costs shall be paid by the department of~~
8 ~~transportation.~~

9 ~~(d) In the event that there is available from the~~
10 ~~requesting foreign country an evaluation of that country's~~
11 ~~driver's license requirements prepared by another United States~~
12 ~~driver licensing agency or the American Association of Motor~~
13 ~~Vehicle Administrators, the statewide driver's license~~
14 ~~reciprocity committee shall conduct a comparison review of the~~
15 ~~evaluation and the State's driver licensing examination~~
16 ~~standards and submit a written recommendation to the legislature~~
17 ~~no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular~~
18 ~~legislative session immediately subsequent to the review.~~

19 ~~(e) If there is no such evaluation available from the~~
20 ~~requesting foreign country, the director may select from the~~
21 ~~statewide driver's license reciprocity committee the~~
22 ~~representative from the department of transportation and a~~



~~county examiner of drivers representative to travel to the
 requesting foreign country, at the expense of the requesting
 foreign country, to inspect and examine the foreign country's
 driver's license examination program and advise the committee of
 their findings. The committee shall review the findings and
 submit a written recommendation to the legislature on whether
 the foreign country's driver's license examination standards
 correspond to Hawaii's driver's license examination standards no
 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular
 legislative session immediately subsequent to the travel and
 evaluation by the driver's license reciprocity committee.~~

~~(f) The director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91
 necessary for the purposes of this section."]~~

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Driver License Reciprocity with Foreign Countries

Description:

Permits driver licensing reciprocity between Hawaii and foreign countries upon certain conditions. Repeals the driver's license reciprocity committee.

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