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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 286-111, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§286-111 Application for license, provisional license,**
4 **or instruction permit; fees.** (a) Every application for an
5 instruction permit, provisional license, or driver's license
6 shall be made upon a form furnished by the examiner of drivers
7 and shall be verified by the applicant before a person
8 authorized to administer oaths. The examiner of drivers and
9 officers serving under the examiner may administer the oaths
10 without charge. Each application for an instruction permit for
11 a category (1), (2), (3), or (4) license shall be accompanied by
12 a fee to be determined by the council of each county, and each
13 application for a provisional license or driver's license shall
14 be accompanied by the fee, unless the applicant has already paid
15 the fee upon application for an instruction permit in the same
16 county, in which event no fee shall be charged. An additional
17 fee to be determined by the council of each county shall be
18 charged and collected upon the issuance of a provisional license

1 or driver's license. All of the foregoing fees shall become
2 county realizations.

3 (b) The director shall establish by rule a standard fee
4 for all driver's license applicants who require verification
5 through the federal system that their presence in the United
6 States is authorized by federal law. The fees collected shall
7 become state realizations and be deposited into the state
8 highway fund. The State shall reimburse the counties all costs
9 of verification through the federal system. The amount of
10 reimbursement shall be determined by the director of
11 transportation.

12 (c) The director of transportation shall establish a fee
13 schedule for all commercial driver's licensing examinations.
14 The fees collected for a commercial driver's license shall
15 become state realizations and shall be deposited in the state
16 highway fund. The State shall reimburse the counties all costs
17 for administering the commercial driver's licensing program.
18 The amount of reimbursement shall be determined by the director
19 of transportation.

20 (d) Every application shall state the full name, date of
21 birth, sex, occupation, veteran status if applicable and desired
22 by the applicant, social security number if the applicant is

1 eligible for a social security number, the residence address,
2 and business address, if any, of the applicant, shall briefly
3 describe the applicant, and shall state whether the applicant
4 has theretofore been licensed as a driver, and, if so, when and
5 in what state or country, and whether any such license has ever
6 been suspended or revoked, or whether an application has ever
7 been refused, and if so, the date of and reason for the
8 suspension, revocation, or refusal.

9 (e) If the applicant is not eligible to receive a social
10 security number, the applicant shall submit, in lieu of
11 providing proof of a social security number pursuant to
12 subsection (d):

13 (1) A United States Social Security Administration letter
14 stating that the applicant is ineligible to obtain a
15 social security number; and

16 (2) Either:

17 (A) A government-issued photo identification
18 document; or

19 (B) Other identification documents as deemed
20 acceptable by the director.

21 (f) The director shall establish by rule a standard
22 maintenance fee to be collected by the county driver's license

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1 examiners from all driver's license applicants, for the purpose
2 of supporting computer and software maintenance and updates that
3 are associated with the driver licensing program. The fees
4 shall become state realizations to be deposited into the state
5 highway fund."

6 SECTION 2. 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 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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12 INTRODUCED BY:



13 BY REQUEST

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Report Title:

Highway Fund; Driver Licensing Program; Maintenance Fee;
Computer and Software Maintenance and Updates

Description:

Establishes a standard maintenance fee to be collected from all driver's license applicants to support computer and software maintenance and updates for the driver licensing program.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING.

PURPOSE: To amend the law relating to fees charged to driver's license applicants.

MEANS: Amend section 286-111, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION: The computer equipment used in Hawaii's driver licensing program has become quite sophisticated during the State's move to comply with Real ID requirements. For example, many of the documents that are presented by applicants can be scanned and quickly authenticated to ensure the applicant's true identity. However, to continue to meet the needs of the licensing program, the computers and software need to be maintained and updated regularly so they are abreast of changes that are made to official documents that are used not only in this country but in many other countries around the world. Although federal funding was used for the acquisition and initial maintenance and update costs, the State must absorb the continuing costs and future updates. Giving the director authority to establish a small application fee can accomplish this.

Impact on the public: The maintenance fee will be less than a dollar, so it will have virtually no financial impact on the public, and the driver's license document will continue to be of high integrity and credibility.

Impact on the department and other agencies: The department will be able pay for the software maintenance and upgrades. No anticipated impact on other agencies.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: The Highway fund will receive about \$110,000 per year to pay for the computer maintenance and software update expenses.

PPBS PROGRAM DESIGNATION: TRN 595.

OTHER AFFECTED AGENCIES: All county drivers license offices will function more efficiently with adequate software maintenance and updates.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.