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S.B. 2444, S.D. 1 RELATING TO ELECTIONS

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is submitting **comments** because there are concerns as it relates to S.B. 2444, S.D. 1. In general, additional time and funding may be required to comply with the requirements of this measure should it be passed.

The bill allows for "databases maintained or operated by the counties or the department of transportation containing driver's license or identification card information, including any documents or images" to be "directly accessible and provided electronically to election officials and the statewide voter registration system to allow for the timely processing of voter applications, ensure the integrity of the voter registration polls, and for any other government purpose, as determined by the chief election officer." If the intent of this bill is to provide unlimited access to databases containing personal information and documents, including "for any other government purpose," DOT must oppose this as such unlimited access could be considered a violation of the Federal Driver Protection and Privacy Act and in potential conflict of state statutes.

If it is determined that access can be legally permitted for specific personally identifiable information (PII) of DL and CID applicants and this bill is passed, time will be needed to allow the City and County of Honolulu's Department of Information Technology (DIT) to collaborate with the Office of Elections' Information Technology department to ensure the security and protection of PII stored in DIT's database and the PII that will be transmitted to the Office of Elections.

There will be a need for program modification of DIT's application programs and database to accommodate any additional data requirements that will need to be transmitted from that database to the Office of Elections. To accomplish such an effort would require funding, time and resources for DIT personnel.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Comments:

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