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S.B. 2934, S.D.1 RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING

House Committee on Judiciary and Labor

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **strongly supports with amendments** S.B. 2934, S.D.1. This bill repeals the language that permits a driver's license from being issued without a photograph and amends subsections to be consistent with another section of the statutes and compliant with the Real ID Act.

This bill proposes to repeal Section 286-107(f) Hawaii Revised Statute (HRS) that allows for the issuance of a driver's license without a photograph of the licensee. Real ID compliant driver's licenses must be issued with a facial photograph.

This bill proposes to reassign Section 286-107(g), HRS to Section 286-107(f), HRS and to amend the language as follows:

- Amend sixth to read eighth so it is consistent with section 286-106 HRS; and
- Add language that reads as follows, "or sixteen years have lapsed since the applicant had appeared in person" to ensure our driver license procedures are compliant with the REAL ID Act.

DOT respectively requests that this bill be revised to include amending Section 286-108(c), HRS. It has been clarified that the majority of jurisdictions waive the written or oral general knowledge tests and road tests when the applicant exchanges a valid driver license issued by another jurisdiction. Therefore, DOT requests that this bill be amended as follows:

"SECTION 2. Section 286-108, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) The examiner of drivers may waive the <u>written or oral examination required</u> by section 286-108(2) and (3) and the actual demonstration of ability to operate a motor vehicle for any person who:

 Is at least eighteen years of age and who possesses a valid driver's license issued to the applicant in any other state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, a province of the Dominion of Canada, or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands for the operation of vehicles in categories 1 through 3 of section 286-102;

- (2) Has completed the same requirements as set forth in section 286-102.6(f) in another state and possesses a valid provisional license from that state; or
- (3) Is at least eighteen years of age and who possesses a valid driver's license issued to the applicant in any jurisdiction for which the director has granted reciprocal licensing privileges in accordance with section 286-101.5 for the operation of vehicles in category (3) of section 286-102(b).

SECTION [2] <u>3</u>. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION [3] 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval."

DOT urges your support for SB2934 S.D.1 with the requested amendments.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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