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S.B. 2934, S.D.2 RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING

House Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **strongly supports with amendments** S.B. 2934, S.D.2. 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.

This bill also proposes amending Section 286-108(c), HRS. It has been clarified that the majority of jurisdictions waive the written or oral general knowledge test and road test when the applicant exchanges a valid driver's license issued by another jurisdiction.

DOT urges your support for S.B. 2934, S.D.2.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.