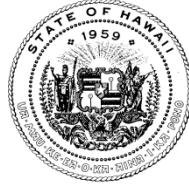


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**S.B. 935, S.D.1
RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSING**

Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

The Department of Transportation **supports** this bill that adjusts the validity period of driver's licenses for holders in the 72 – 76 year age group. However, to minimize potential for confusion when implementing the law, it is recommended that the wording of subsection (b) paragraph (2) of Section 286-106, Hawaii Revised Statutes be modified to read as follows:

“(2) being for one year notwithstanding (a) (2) above provided the licensee is seventy-nine years or older; submits to the examiner of drivers a form provided by the examiner of drivers signed by a qualified duly licensed medical practitioner and is issued within the previous thirty days certifying that the licensee meets the required medical qualifications for a driver's license.”

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony

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From: Anthony Lenzer, PhD

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I am testifying in opposition to this measure as a professional Gerontologist, having spent many years studying aging issues, and advocating for public policies which will enhance the ability of older people to maintain independence and functional capacity, and contribute to society. SB 935 SD 1, to the contrary, makes it more difficult for older people to maintain their independence by placing burdensome obstacles in the way of obtaining drivers licenses by requiring proof of medical capability not required of any other age groups. Further, this draft requires older people to renew their licenses every two years, the current legal requirement, instead of the eight years proposed in the original bill.

Thus it could be argued that the current age-based licensing requirements themselves are age discriminatory, and that older drivers should have the same right to eight year relicensing as other adults. However, this bill adds insult to injury by requiring that all potential older licensees (1) obtain a medical form from an examiners office; (2) find a doctor willing to examine them to determine whether they meet medical qualifications for driving; (3) take the exam and have the doctor complete the form; and (4) return the form and license application to the examiners office within 30 days.

This bill offers no scientific evidence whatsoever to support a medical examination requirement exclusively for older drivers. Nor is any justification offered for the two year requirement. In the absence of such evidence, SB 935 SD 1 can reasonably be seen as promoting age discrimination, to which I, and I hope this Committee, must be strongly opposed. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important issue.

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Comments:

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Jim Cisler	PABEA	Oppose	No

Comments: This bill discriminates on the basis of age. It fails to address or resolve the issue of making our streets safer. We elders have no choice but to age...with purpose and dignity. More and more of us continue to be sound of body, mind and reflexes and object to this flaming example of arbitrary government.

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Norma Circle	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I think this bill is discriminatory and I am appalled that it is even being considered.

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