A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VOTER REGISTRATION.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2	by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"§11- Applications for driver's licenses or
5	identification cards. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the
6	contrary, the affidavit application for voter registration
7	required by section 11-15 shall be a part of the application
8	required for the issuance of a driver's license under section
9	286-109 and an identification card under section 286-301.
10	(b) An application for a driver's license or an
11	identification card shall not be processed until the applicant
12	has:
13	(1) Been confirmed electronically to be a registered voter;
14	<u>or</u>
15	(2) Applied to register to vote or affirmatively declined
16	to register to vote on the application form.

1	(c) If an applicant for a driver's license or an
2	identification card is a registered voter, the application shall
3	serve to automatically update the applicant's voter registration
4	residence address, mailing address, or name, as may be
5	applicable. A notice to this effect shall be stated on any
6	application or change of address or name form used by the
7	examiner of drivers.
8	(d) The examiner of drivers and the department of
9	transportation shall indicate in their respective databases
10	whether the holder of a driver's license or an identification
11	card is a registered voter, in addition to any other information
12	referred to in subsection (e).
13	(e) The examiner of drivers shall electronically transmit
14	to the office of elections, on a real time basis, the following
15	information associated with each applicant who is a United States
16	citizen that has not affirmatively declined to register to vote
17	or who is a registered voter:
18	(1) Name;
19	(2) Date of birth;
20	(3) Last four digits of the social security number;

(4) Driver's license number or identification card number;

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1	(5)	<pre>Gender;</pre>
2	(6)	Residence address;
3	(7)	Mailing address;
4	(8).	Digitized signature;
5	(9)	Electronic copy of the application;
6	(10)	Whether the applicant is a registered voter;
7	(11)	Whether the applicant has fully completed the voter
8		registration portion of the application;
9	(12)	Whether the applicant chose to become a permanent
10		absentee voter; and
11	(13)	Other information specified by the chief election
12		officer.
13	(f)	Databases maintained or operated by the counties or the
14	departmen	t of transportation containing driver's license and
15	identific	ation card information, including any documents or
16	images, s	hall be electronically accessible by election officials
17	and the s	tatewide voter registration system, to allow for the
18	timely pr	ocessing of voter registration applications, facilitate
19	verificat	ion of information provided by online voter registration
20	applicant	s under section 11-15.3, ensure the integrity of the
21	voter reg	istration rolls, or for any other election purpose."

1	SECT	ION 2. Section 286-109, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended to	o read as follows:
3	"§28	6-109 General provision governing the issuance of
4	licenses.	(a) Upon payment of the required fee and upon
5	demonstra	ting the ability to operate a certain category or
6	categorie	s of motor vehicles to the satisfaction of the examiner
7	of driver	s, an applicant for a driver's license shall be issued
8	a single	license of a design approved by the director of
9	transport	ation upon which is made a notation of:
10	(1)	The category or categories of motor vehicles the
11		applicant may operate;
12	(2)	Any restrictive provisions to which the license is
13		subject;
14	(3)	Veteran status, if desired by the applicant; provided
15		that the notation shall be on the front of the license
16		and shall not include any designation other than the
17		term "veteran"; and
18	(4)	When the license is issued to a person under twenty-
19		one years of age, a statement, in clearly legible
20		print that shall contrast with the other information
21		appearing on the license, which indicates the date on

which the person	will attain tl	he age of	twenty-one
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- years.
- 3 As used in this subsection, "veteran" means any person who
- 4 served in any of the uniformed services of the United States,
- 5 including veterans of the Korean conflict and persons who served
- 6 in the armed forces of the Republic of Korea, who fought under
- 7 the command of the United Nations led by the United States,
- 8 during the Korean conflict and are currently United States
- 9 citizens, and was discharged under conditions other than
- 10 dishonorable.
- 11 (b) The examiner of drivers shall not issue or renew any
- 12 driver's license using the driver's social security number on
- 13 the driver's license.
- 14 (c) Statutes of limitations and other provisions of this
- 15 chapter notwithstanding, no driver's license or instruction
- 16 permit shall be issued or renewed under this section, where the
- 17 examiner of drivers is notified by the district judge, traffic
- 18 violations bureaus of the district courts, or the judge of the
- 19 circuit court that the applicant has failed to respond to a
- 20 traffic citation or summons, or failed to appear in court after
- 21 an arrest for the violation of any traffic laws of a county,

- 1 this chapter or chapter 286G, 287, 290, 291, or 291C, or of any
- 2 motor vehicle insurance laws under article 10C of chapter 431,
- 3 or of any motorcycle or motor scooter insurance laws under
- 4 article 10G of chapter 431, and the same remains delinquent and
- 5 outstanding, or the applicant, has as of the time of the
- 6 application, failed to comply in full with all orders of the
- 7 court; provided that the district court with whose order an
- 8 applicant has failed to comply in full, may approve the issuance
- 9 or renewal of a driver's license or instruction permit other
- 10 than a commercial driver's license upon conditions imposed by
- 11 the court for the satisfaction of the outstanding court order
- 12 and any other conditions as may be imposed by the court, if one
- 13 or more of the following conditions are met:
- 14 (1) The applicant is gainfully employed in a position that
- requires driving and will be discharged if the
- 16 applicant is unable to drive; or
- 17 (2) The applicant has no access to alternative
- 18 transportation and therefore must drive to work;
- 19 provided further that if the applicant has failed to comply in
- 20 full with orders of the district court of more than one circuit,
- 21 the applicant shall obtain the approval of the district court of

- 1 each circuit in which the applicant has an outstanding court
- 2 order before a driver's license or instruction permit may be
- 3 issued or renewed under this subsection.
- 4 A driver's license or instruction permit issued or renewed
- 5 under this subsection shall be subject to immediate suspension
- 6 by the court upon the applicant's failure to remain in full
- 7 compliance with all conditions imposed by the court for the
- 8 issuance or renewal of the driver's license or instruction
- 9 permit. The examiner of drivers may place an indication of
- 10 restriction upon a driver's license or instruction permit issued
- 11 or renewed under this subsection. Proof of financial
- 12 responsibility under section 287-20 shall not apply to the
- 13 issuance or renewal of driver's licenses or instruction permits
- 14 under this subsection.
- (d) An application for a driver's license shall include
- 16 the information required under section 11- ."
- 17 SECTION 3. Section 286-301, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- "[+] §286-301[+] Issuance of identification card or
- 20 temporary card. (a) To obtain an identification card from the

- 1 examiner of drivers, an individual shall complete an application
- 2 pursuant to section 286-303.
- 3 (b) The examiner of drivers, upon receipt of the
- 4 application by any individual who is a resident or a temporary
- 5 resident of this State, shall issue an identification card to
- 6 that individual upon receipt of any appropriate fee established
- 7 pursuant to section 286-309.
- 8 (c) The identification card shall be similar in size,
- 9 shape, and design to a driver's license, but shall not entitle
- 10 the individual to whom it is issued to operate a motor vehicle.
- 11 (d) The issuance of an identification card pursuant to
- 12 this section shall not place upon the State of Hawaii or any
- 13 agency any liability for the misuse or the acceptance of the
- 14 identification card as valid identification, which shall be left
- 15 entirely to the discretion of any individual to whom such card
- 16 is presented.
- (e) An application for an identification card from the
- 18 examiner of drivers shall include the information required under
- **19** section 11- ."
- 20 SECTION 4. Section 286-311, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 21 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:



1	"(a) [All] <u>Except for purposes of voter registration as</u>
2	specified in sections 11- , 286-109 and 286-301, information and
3	records acquired by the examiner of drivers under this part shall
4	be confidential. All information and records shall be maintained
5	in an appropriate form and in an appropriate office in the
6	custody and under the control of the examiner. The information
7	shall be available only to authorized individuals under such
8	restrictions as the director shall prescribe. The examiner may
9	dispose of any application or identification card, or information
10	or record relating to the application or identification card,
11	which does not include a social security number, without regard
12	to chapter 94, whenever, in the examiner's discretion, retention
13	of the information or record is no longer required or
14	practicable."
15	SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
16	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
17	SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

Voter Registration; Examiner of Drivers; Driver's Licenses; Identification Cards

Description:

Makes voter registration application affidavit a mandatory part of all driver's license and identification card applications. Requires sharing of information among the counties, Department of Transportation, and election personnel.

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