A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE QUALIFICATION STANDARDS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to amend section
- 2 286-236, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to be compliant with title 49
- 3 Code of Federal Regulations 391.41(b).
- 4 SECTION 2. Section 286-236, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 5 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 6 "(a) No person shall be issued a commercial driver's
- 7 license unless that person meets the qualification standards of
- 8 title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, part 391, subparts B and
- 9 E, has passed a knowledge and driving skills test for driving a
- 10 commercial motor vehicle that complies with minimum federal
- 11 standards established by federal regulation enumerated in title
- 12 49 Code of Federal Regulations, part 383, subparts G and H, is
- 13 domiciled in this State as defined in title 49 Code of Federal
- 14 Regulations, part 383.5, and has satisfied all other
- 15 requirements of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986,
- 16 Public Law 99-570, title XII, in addition to other requirements
- 17 imposed by state law or federal regulation. The tests shall be

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- 1 prescribed by the director and administered by the respective
- 2 county examiner of drivers. The test examiners shall
- 3 communicate with the applicant only in English during the skills
- 4 test. As of January 30, 2012, the examiner of drivers shall
- 5 verify that the medical certification status of a driver who
- 6 self-certified according to title 49 Code of Federal Regulations
- 7 section [383.71(a)(1)(ii)(A),] 383.71(b)(1)(i), non-excepted
- 8 interstate, is certified. If a driver submits a current medical
- 9 examiner's certificate, the examiner of drivers shall date-stamp
- 10 the certificate and post all required information to the
- 11 commercial driver's license information system pursuant to title
- 12 49 Code of Federal Regulations section $[\frac{383.73(a)(5)}{}]$
- 13 383.73(b)(5) and in accordance with title 49 Code of Federal
- 14 Regulations section [383.73(j)] 383.73(o). A person who is not
- 15 physically qualified to drive under title 49 Code of Federal
- 16 Regulations section 391.41(b)(1)[$\frac{1}{7}$] or (2)[$\frac{1}{7}$ and who is
- 17 otherwise qualified to drive a motor vehicle may be granted an
- 18 intrastate waiver by the director. The process for granting
- 19 intrastate waivers shall be the same as that for interstate
- 20 waivers in title 49 Code of Federal Regulations section 391.49,
- 21 except that the intrastate waiver requests shall be submitted to

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- 1 the director[; provided that the director shall adopt rules
- 2 under chapter 91 to establish a screening process, including
- 3 approval by a licensed physician, for granting an intrastate
- 4 waiver to persons who are not physically qualified under title
- 5 49 Code of Federal Regulations section 391.41(b)(3)]."
- 6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

DOT; Transportation; Commercial Driver's Licenses; Conformity with Federal Law

Description:

Conforms Hawaii law relating to commercial driver's licenses with federal regulations by removing the provision requiring the Director of Transportation to adopt rules to establish a screening process for granting intrastate waivers to persons who are not physically qualified to drive a commercial motor vehicle due to a medical history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus. Corrects certain citations to federal regulations.

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