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February 7, 2023 3:00 P.M. State Capitol, Teleconference

S.B. 1166 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES

Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts

The Department of Transportation (DOT) would like to **provide comments** regarding S.B. 1166 which will allow for the renewal of driver's licenses by mail or online.

The DOT recommends the same process for an application for renewal by mail and online, which requires the applicant to be examined by a licensed medical examiner. Those renewing must also provide a notarized statement certifying the applicant does not possess a valid license issued by another licensing authority. Those who opt to renew by mail or online must also provide information that is reasonably necessary to confirm the identity of the applicant and their fitness to continue to operate a motor vehicle.

The DOT also recommends not amending to three months prior to the expiration of the driver's license that the applicant is required to be examined by a licensed medical examiner. The notarized statement should align with the six-month period allowed for the early renewal of licenses.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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The Honorable Chris Lee, Chair
The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Vice Chair
And Members of the Committee on Transportation and
Culture and the Arts
State Capitol, Conference Room 224
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Lee, Vice Chair Inouye, and Members of the Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts,

SUBJECT: S.B. 1166 - Relating To The Renewal of Driver's Licenses HEARING: Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 3:00 p.m.

The City and County of Honolulu, Department of Customer Services (CSD) supports this bill with an amendment.

Pursuant to Section 6-402 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, CSD administers the motor vehicle registration program and issues driver's licenses for the island of Oahu.

This bill provides for the renewal of driver's license through electronic or digital means. It also provides for medical examination within three months of the expiration of the individual's driver's license for renewal by mail. This three month examination requirement is inconsistent with the State Department of Transportation Highways Division Administrative Rule §19-122-359 which requires the examination be within six months of the expiration of the individual's driver's license. As such, SB217, which is nearly identical to SB1166, was introduced that medical examination requirement is consistent with the Department of Transportation's administrative rule.

CSD supports this bill with an amendment changing the examination requirement to six months from the expiration of the individual's driver's license.

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Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in opposition to S.B. No. 1166.

Sincerely,

Kimberly M. Hashiro

Director

<u>SB-1166</u> Submitted on: 2/3/2023 7:58:47 PM

Testimony for TCA on 2/7/2023 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrew Crossland	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this Bill.

<u>SB-1166</u> Submitted on: 2/4/2023 11:38:35 AM Testimony for TCA on 2/7/2023 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
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Comments:

Stong support. Thank you.

<u>SB-1166</u> Submitted on: 2/6/2023 2:14:44 AM

Testimony for TCA on 2/7/2023 3:00:00 PM

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Robin Miyajima	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I think this would be a much needed way to reduce lines and get important documents more quickly. I support this bill.