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H.B. 2492, H.D. 2
RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES

Senate Committee on Judiciary

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports H.B. 2492, H.D. 2**, which revises sections 286-236, 286-240 and 286-241.4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to meet new federal regulations for commercial driver's licenses when the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse prohibits a driver from operating a commercial vehicle due to alcohol and drug violations.

The DOT supports this bill in order to comply with the new federal regulations.

Beginning November 18, 2024, all states must request information from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Association's Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse. If a state receives notification the applicant is prohibited from operating a commercial motor vehicle, the state must not issue, renew, or upgrade the commercial learner's permit or must downgrade the commercial driver's license as stated in title 49 Code of Federal Regulations sections 383.73(q).

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.