

## ACT 243

S.B. NO. 273

A Bill for an Act Relating to Identification Cards.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Section 286-304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

~~“[§286-304]~~ **Procedure.** (a) All information required by section 286-303 shall be obtained by employees of the examiner of drivers as provided for by rules of the director and by individual interviews with the applicant for the identification card or parent, individual in loco parentis, or guardian, as shown by letters of guardianship. Every applicant or individual providing information on behalf of any applicant under part VI and this part shall answer truthfully all questions, furnish all information within the possession or knowledge of the individual that may be asked or required by the employee within the scope of the requirements of this part, and submit to the examiner of drivers all information and supporting documentation required by rules of the director.

(b) Special provisions may be made by rules adopted by the director.

(c) The examiner of drivers may require an applicant, or any individual providing information on behalf of an applicant, to furnish original or certified copies of documents to establish or corroborate the information required to establish identity under this part and may, by rules, set forth what documents will be required to support or corroborate certain information.

(d) For a person who qualifies as homeless pursuant to section 346-361, the examiner of drivers shall accept a signed sworn statement from a member of a victim services organization, an attorney, a member of the clergy, correctional institution staff, a medical or other health professional from whom the person has sought services, or a verification letter from a homeless service provider as documentary evidence of the person's address.”

SECTION 2. Section 286-309, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

~~“[§286-309]~~ **Rules.** For the purpose of carrying out this part, the director, pursuant to chapter 91, shall adopt rules including rules assessing reasonable fees for the services provided under this part. The rules shall ~~[authorize]~~:

- (1) Authorize the examiner of drivers to waive any fee in cases of extreme hardship and provide criteria for determining whether a waiver is warranted[-]; and
- (2) Direct the examiner of drivers to waive all fees for the issuance of an original or renewal identification card for any individual who is

homeless; provided the individual's homeless status is corroborated by a verification letter issued by a homeless service provider."

SECTION 3. (a) There is established a working group to be placed in the department of human services for administrative purposes that shall conduct research and develop a plan to enable individuals in the State who are unable to produce documentation required for a state civil identification card to obtain satisfactory documentary evidence.

(b) The following individuals shall serve as members of the working group:

- (1) A representative from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services;
- (2) A representative from the Social Security Administration;
- (3) The director of human services or the director's designee;
- (4) The director of health or the director's designee;
- (5) The director of labor and industrial relations or the director's designee;
- (6) The examiner of drivers for the city and county of Honolulu or the examiner's designee;
- (7) An individual who shall represent the examiners of drivers for Kauai, Hawaii, and Maui counties;
- (8) An individual who shall represent homeless service providers operating in the city and county of Honolulu;
- (9) An individual who shall represent homeless service providers operating on Kauai, Hawaii, and Maui counties; and
- (10) A representative from the Partners in Development Foundation's We Are Oceania project.

(c) Members of the working group shall serve without compensation and without reimbursement for expenses.

(d) The working group shall submit an interim report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2016.

(e) The working group shall submit a final report with its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2017.

(f) The working group shall be dissolved on June 30, 2017.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved July 14, 2015.)