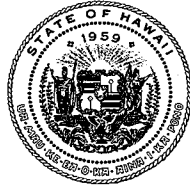


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HOUSE BILL NO. 1101, H.D. 2

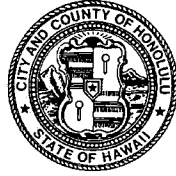
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

We support this bill.

These drivers are already exempt from our licensing laws under HRS 286-105 and may drive here with their valid driver's license. Therefore, it does not appear that a highway safety issue would be compromised if knowledge testing is waived for this specific group of drivers.

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March 7, 2008

The Honorable J. Kalani English, Chair  
and Committee Members  
Committee on Transportation  
and International Affairs  
The Senate  
State of Hawaii  
State Capitol, Room 205  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair English and Committee Members:

Subject: H.B. No. 1101 H.D.2, Relating to Driver Licenses

The City and County of Honolulu and the Counties of Hawaii, Kauai and Maui are in favor of H.B. No. 1101 H.D.2 which waives the requirement for the knowledge test if an applicant has a valid license issued from another United States jurisdiction, province of Canada or the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Since the majority of jurisdictions have adopted uniform motor vehicle laws, this bill will allow for similar reciprocity that is currently permitted for commercial driver's license in accordance with Section 286-236(g), HRS.

We recommend that the bill be effective upon approval.

The City and County of Honolulu and the Counties of Hawaii, Kauai and Maui urge your favorable action on H.B. No. 1101 H.D.2, as amended.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis A. Kamimura".

DENNIS A. KAMIMURA  
Licensing Administrator

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