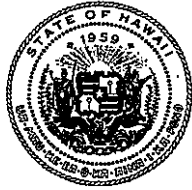


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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SENATE BILL NO. 3240

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
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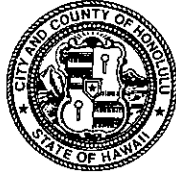
We do not support this bill because it is unnecessary. Current law appears to provide adequate time for a person to renew a driver's license with special provisions for members of the United States armed forces. Also, adequate checks into the applicant's identity and eligibility must be done on a timely basis near the time of issuance.

A driver's license can be renewed six months prior to expiration or ninety days after expiration and by mail for no more than two consecutive renewals. However, military personnel outside of the state on official military orders may renew by mail any number of times. They may renew within ninety days of return to the state without having to retest. The reactivation fee of five dollars for each 30-day period following the ninety days after expiration of the driver's license is waived for military personnel.

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The Honorable J. Kalani English, Chair
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The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair
and Committee Members
Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
The Senate
State of Hawaii
State Capitol, Room 205
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair English, Chair Inouye and Committee Members:


Subject: S.B. No. 3240, Relating to Motor Vehicle Driver's License

The City and County of Honolulu is opposed to S.B. No. 3240 which will allow active duty service members to apply for a driver license renewal twenty-four months prior to the driver license expiration date.

Depending upon when the service member applies for a renewal, Hawaii will effectively be issuing a driver's license that will be valid up to eight years. This eight-year license would be available only to service members. Currently, any applicant that is issued a Hawaii driver's license is able to renew by mail within six months prior to the license expiration date and 90 days after expiration, without penalty. Additionally, any applicant may renew a driver's license within one year after its expiration date. Service members on active federal service outside of the State may file for a renewal within 90 days of the applicant's return to the State or discharge from hospitalization and the reactivation fee is waived.

The City and County of Honolulu recommends that S.B. No. 3240 be held.

Sincerely,


DENNIS A. KAMIMURA
Licensing Administrator

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 3240
A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENSE

PRESENTATION TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL
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BY

MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT G. F. LEE
ADJUTANT GENERAL
February 6, 2008

Chair English, Chair Inouye and Committee Members:

I am Major General Robert G. F. Lee, State Adjutant General. I am testifying on Senate Bill 3240. This bill allows active service member of the U. S. armed forces to apply for renewal of driver's license twenty-four months prior to the date of expiration.

We do not feel this measure is necessary. Act 221, Session Laws of Hawaii, 2006, allows for the renewal of a driver's license by a member of any component of the U. S. armed forces serving outside the State of Hawaii. The service member has ninety days after the return from deployment or release from the hospital to renew the driver's license. The examiner of drivers may waive the license reactivation fee.

Chair English, Chair Inouye, thank you for letting me submit this written testimony.