

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2**

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 277
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 277 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE IDENTIFICATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow the Attorney General to contract with one or more counties for the purpose of processing and issuing state identification cards at satellite city halls or other locations.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Honolulu Department of Customer Services (also representing concurrence from the Counties of Hawai'i, Kaua'i, and Maui), and the League of Women Voters of Hawai'i. Testimony in opposition was received from one individual.

Your Committee finds that state identification is vital for seniors, children, and other individuals who do not possess a driver's license or other picture identification. Currently, obtaining a state identification card (certificate of identification) is a lengthy process because processing and administration is conducted at a single location with limited hours of operation.

Honolulu's satellite city halls are convenient locations for state identification processing. Satellite city halls provide services with extended hours, weekend availability, and convenient



locations. However, the islands of Moloka'i and Lana'i do not have county equivalents of a city hall as in Honolulu that can be used to issue state identification cards. Testimony of the counties indicates that they are willing to use driver licensing offices, which are equipped for a similar purpose.

Your Committee has amended this measure by deleting reference to city halls and authorizing the counties to use driver licensing offices or other suitable county facilities for state identification administration.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 277, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 277, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,
International and
Intergovernmental Affairs,



J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



