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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SENATE BILL NO. 2759

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, INTERNATIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Department of Transportation strongly supports this bill, proposed by the Administration, as we believe it will better inform the driving public about the differences among the licensing categories. The bill clarifies how category four vehicles are different from commercial motor vehicles and will bring greater clarity and consistency with federal regulations regarding commercial driver's licenses and other types of driver's licenses.

The intent of this bill is to clarify that category four motor vehicles do not include commercial motor vehicles as defined in section 286-2, HRS. Operators of category four motor vehicles are not required to hold a commercial driver's license (CDL) and are not subject to the federal disqualifications that apply to the holder of a CDL or operator of a commercial motor vehicle.



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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, INTERNATIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS ON SB 2759 RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING

Thank you Chair English and committee members. I am Gareth Sakakida, Managing Director of the Hawaii Transportation Association (HTA) with over 400 transportation related members throughout the state of Hawaii.

Hawaii Transportation Association supports this bill. The language change does not change the law itself.

Thank you.