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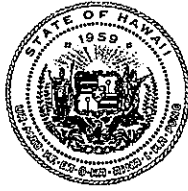
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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1096

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

The Department of Transportation supports H.B. 1096.

This bill must be passed to make it legal for a moped operator with a permit to practice riding prior to taking the practical test for licensure. The current law allows a permit holder to operate a motor scooter or motorcycle without being accompanied by a person who is 21 years old or older but no similar exemption exists for permit holders who operate a moped. The reason an exception is necessary is that carrying a passenger on a two-wheeled vehicle is more challenging and therefore more dangerous than riding alone. Carrying a passenger on a moped would be even more challenging, because a moped is lighter and less powerful than a motorcycle. Also, current law prohibits passengers on two-wheeled mopeds.