

STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 869 PUNCHBOWL STREET HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-5097

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HB 2608 RELATING TO DRIVERS LICENSING.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

The Department of Transportation strongly supports this Administration bill. Since more foreign countries are approaching the State of Hawaii, as well as other states, requesting that their driver's license be granted reciprocity within the state's jurisdiction; it is necessary to establish a process that applies our driver's license testing standards to that of the foreign country requesting driver's license reciprocity. That process will be established by the passage of HB 2608.

The State's approval of driver's license reciprocity to a foreign county's driver's license must involve the application of the Hawaii's driver's license testing standards to the foreign country's driver's license testing standards to ensure the safety of Hawaii's roads for its residents and visitors.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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