

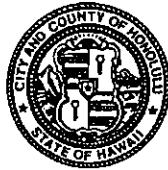
# SB 2518

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES.

Authorizes any active duty military personnel or accompanying dependent stationed in Hawaii whose driver's license expired while the member was deployed overseas to use a valid Status of Forces Agreement driver's license until obtaining a valid state-issued driver's license.

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January 30, 2012

The Honorable J. Kalani English, Chair  
and Committee Members  
Committee on Transportation and International Affairs  
The Honorable Will Espero, Chair  
and Committee Members  
Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations  
and Military Affairs  
The Senate  
State of Hawaii  
State Capitol, Room 231  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair English, Chair Espero and Committee Members:

Subject: S.B. No. 2518, Relating to Motor and Other Vehicles

The City and County of Honolulu has no objections to extending the Hawaii driver license expiration date of a servicemember's dependent if the dependent accompanies the servicemember when deployed outside the United States.

We are concerned regarding recognition of a Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) driver's license in lieu of a state issued driver's license. We understand that the SOFA driver license is valid only during the period that a state issued driver license is valid and only while the servicemember or servicemember's dependent is stationed in the foreign country.

The City and County of Honolulu recommends that S.B. No. 2518 be amended by deleting the words "and in-country" in the title of Section 286-106.5 and deleting subsection (b) of the bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis A. Kamimura".

Dennis A. Kamimura  
Licensing Administrator

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Submitted on: 1/31/2012

Comments:



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From: Sergeant Major, Marine Corps Base Hawaii  
To: Hawaii State Senate

Subj: TESTIMONY FOR HEARING SB2518

1. When my family and I arrived to Hawaii 11 months ago my wife and son both had a SOFA license that was issued in Okinawa, Japan. My wife's California license already had a 1 year extension on it that had just expired. The only way to renew it would be to return to the state of California. At the time we felt the burden and cost was not beneficial to our family.
2. Under the current process in the state of Hawaii, this brought more stresses upon the family. With three vehicles coming in from the mainland and my sons getting enrolled in school, it left me as the only licensed driver in the family.
3. If this process is changed it would benefit all military families relocating to Hawaii from any overseas location.

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Submitted on: 1/31/2012

Comments:  
Thank you for support our Military.

## Sharon Lum Ho

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**Comments:**

Why would you want to introduce an additional layer of paperwork for military / dependent members. I believe all mainland states will already issue a temporary license to the above mentioned groups which expires within 90 days after issue. The process for receiving the temporary license can be done online in the majority of states and along with the application a valid copy of military orders and any processing fee are the only things required. What is the point of a SOFA license when the process for replacement already exists. Appears to be just another hoop the state of Hawaii wants members of the military to jump through.