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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 286-111, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "§286-111 Application for license, provisional license,
4 instruction permit, limited purpose driver's license, limited
5 purpose provisional driver's license, or limited purpose
6 instruction permit; fees. (a) Every application for an
7 instruction permit, provisional license, driver's license,
8 limited purpose driver's license, limited purpose provisional
9 driver's license, or limited purpose instruction permit shall be
10 made upon a form furnished by the examiner of drivers and shall
11 be verified by the applicant before a person authorized to
12 administer oaths. The examiner of drivers and officers serving
13 under the examiner may administer the oaths without charge.
14 Each application for an instruction permit for a category (1),
15 (2), (3), or (4) license shall be accompanied by a fee to be
16 determined by the council of each county, and each application

1 for a provisional license or driver's license shall be
2 accompanied by the fee, unless the applicant has already paid
3 the fee upon application for an instruction permit in the same
4 county, in which event no fee shall be charged. An additional
5 fee to be determined by the council of each county shall be
6 charged and collected upon the issuance of a provisional license
7 or driver's license. All of the foregoing fees shall become
8 county realizations.

9 (b) The director shall establish by rule a standard fee
10 for all driver's license applicants who require verification
11 through the federal system that their presence in the United
12 States is authorized by federal law. The fees collected shall
13 become state realizations and be deposited into the state
14 highway fund. The State shall reimburse the counties all costs
15 of verification through the federal system. The amount of
16 reimbursement shall be determined by the director of
17 transportation.

18 (c) The director of transportation shall establish a fee
19 schedule for all commercial driver's licensing examinations.
20 The fees collected for a commercial driver's license shall
21 become state realizations and shall be deposited in the state
22 highway fund. The State shall reimburse the counties all costs

1 for administering the commercial driver's licensing program.

2 The amount of reimbursement shall be determined by the director
3 of transportation.

4 (d) Every application shall state the full name, date of
5 birth, sex, occupation, veteran status if applicable and desired
6 by the applicant, social security number if the applicant is
7 eligible for a social security number, the residence address,
8 and business address, if any, of the applicant, shall briefly
9 describe the applicant, and shall state whether the applicant
10 has theretofore been licensed as a driver, and, if so, when and
11 in what state or country, and whether any such license has ever
12 been suspended or revoked, or whether an application has ever
13 been refused, and if so, the date of and reason for the
14 suspension, revocation, or refusal.

15 (e) Except as provided in section 286-104.5, if the
16 applicant is not eligible to receive a social security number,
17 the applicant shall submit, in lieu of providing proof of a
18 social security number pursuant to subsection (d):

19 (1) A United States Social Security Administration letter
20 stating that the applicant is ineligible to obtain a
21 social security number; and

22 (2) Either:

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1 (A) A government-issued photo identification
2 document; or


3 (B) Other identification documents as deemed
4 acceptable by the director.

5 (f) The director shall establish by rule a standard
6 maintenance and Real ID compliance fee to be collected by the
7 county driver's license examiners from all driver's license
8 applicants, for the purpose of supporting computer and software
9 maintenance and updates that are associated with the driver
10 licensing program. The fees may also be used in all matters to
11 ensure that the State is in compliance with Real ID
12 requirements. The fees shall become state realizations to be
13 deposited into the state highway fund."

14 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
15 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
16 begun, before its effective date.

17 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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20 INTRODUCED BY: 

21 BY REQUEST

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Report Title:

Highway Fund; Driver Licensing Program; Maintenance Fee;
Computer and Software Maintenance and Updates

Description:

Establishes a standard maintenance fee to be collected from all driver's license applicants to support computer and software maintenance and updates for the driver licensing program.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING.

PURPOSE: To amend the law relating to fees charged to driver's license applicants.

MEANS: Amend section 286-111, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

JUSTIFICATION: The computer equipment used in Hawaii's driver licensing program has become quite sophisticated during the State's move to comply with Real ID requirements. For example, many of the documents that are presented by applicants can be scanned and quickly authenticated to ensure the applicant's true identity. However, to continue to meet the needs of the licensing program, the computers and software need to be maintained and updated regularly so they are abreast of changes that are made to official documents that are used not only in this country but in many other countries around the world. Although federal funding was used for the acquisition and initial maintenance and update costs, the State must absorb the continuing costs and future updates. Giving the director authority to establish a small application fee can accomplish this.

Impact on the public: The maintenance fee will be less than a dollar, so it will have virtually no financial impact on the public, and the driver's license document will continue to be of high integrity and credibility.

Impact on the department and other agencies: The department will be able to pay for the software maintenance and upgrades and also

pay some of the other costs associated with keeping the State Real ID compliant. No anticipated impact on other agencies.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: The Highway fund will receive about \$110,000 per year primarily to pay for the computer maintenance and software update expenses.

PPBS PROGRAM
DESIGNATION: TRN 595.

OTHER AFFECTED
AGENCIES: All county drivers' license offices will function more efficiently with adequate software maintenance and updates.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.