

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

473

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 20, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 969

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 969 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve government efficiency and modernize operations by establishing a standardized maintenance fee to be collected from all driver's license applicants to support computer and software maintenance and updates for the driver licensing program.

The Department of Transportation testified in support of this measure with requested amendments.

In 2005, the federal government enacted the REAL ID Act of 2005, which required states to comply with federally mandated eligibility criteria in issuing driver's licenses, including requiring proof of lawful presence in the United States. As such, outdated computers and program software within the driver's licensing program needed to be replaced. While federal funding was used for the acquisition of computers and initial maintenance and software update costs, the State must absorb continuing costs for the purchase, maintenance, and updating of computer equipment and software, which, according to the Department of Transportation, is approximately \$80,000 per year. Giving the Director of Transportation the ability to establish a minimal maintenance fee from all driver's license applicants will help to

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meet the needs and demands of the driver licensing program with regard to REAL ID Act requirements.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 969 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,



HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB 969</i>	Committee Referral: <i>TRN, FIN</i>	Date: <i>02/18/2015</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
TRN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)	X			
2. LOPRESTI, Matthew S. (VC)	X			
3. HAR, Sharon E.	X			
4. ICHIYAMA, Linda	X			
5. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	X			
6. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	X			
7. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	X			
8. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	X			
9. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	X			
10. TAKUMI, Roy M.	X			
11. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	X			
12. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				X
TOTAL (12)	11			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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