
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENSES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that title II of the
2 federal REAL ID Act of 2005 (division B of P.L. 109-13) requires
3 federal government facilities to accept only driver's licenses
4 or state identification cards that required individuals to
5 proffer extensive documentation as proof of identity to access
6 those federal government facilities and services, including the
7 boarding of commercial airplanes. To be in compliance with the
8 REAL ID Act of 2005, the State enacted Act 38, Session Laws of
9 Hawaii 2010, which requires individuals to proffer extensive
10 documentation to obtain State-issued REAL ID-compliant driver's
11 licenses or state identification cards.

12 However, the legislature further finds that the proffering
13 of extensive documentation has been a burden to certain
14 residents. While the State may not alter the requirements of
15 the Real ID Act of 2005, as that would unfairly disadvantage
16 Hawaii residents compared to other U.S. residents, the State may



1 ease the burden by extending the period for which a driver's
2 license is valid.

3 The purpose of this Act is to ease the burden of the REAL
4 ID Act of 2005 by extending the period for which driver's
5 licenses are valid for persons seventy-two years old or older
6 from two years to four years.

7 SECTION 2. Section 286-106, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "§286-106 Expiration of licenses. Every driver's license
10 issued under this part, except for a provisional license issued
11 under section 286-102.6 which shall expire on the date of the
12 provisional licensee's nineteenth birthday, whether an original
13 issuance or a renewal, shall expire on the first birthday of the
14 licensee occurring not less than eight years after the date of
15 the issuance of the license, unless sooner revoked or suspended;
16 provided that:

17 (1) The license shall expire on the first birthday of the
18 licensee occurring not less than four years after the
19 date of the issuance if, at the time, the licensee is
20 twenty-four years of age or younger;



1 (2) The license shall expire on the first birthday of the
 2 licensee occurring not less than [~~two~~] four years
 3 after the date of the issuance of the license if, at
 4 that time, the licensee is seventy-two years of age or
 5 older; and

6 (3) If the licensee is a legal immigrant, the license
 7 shall expire no later than the licensee's authorized
 8 period of stay in the United States.

9 The examiner of drivers may issue a license for a shorter
 10 period if the licensee has a physical condition or conditions
 11 that the examiner of drivers reasonably believes may impair the
 12 driver's ability to drive."

13 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

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Report Title:

Driver's Licenses; Expiration

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