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1:00 p.m.  
State Capitol, Room 225

**H. B. 176, H.D. 1**  
**RELATING TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENSE**  
**AND CIVIL IDENTIFICATION CARDS FORMS.**

Senate Committee on Transportation  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

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The Department of Transportation offers **comments** on H.B. 176, H.D. 1.

The driver's license application form requires an enormous amount of information not required on the civil identification card application form such as:

- the type of transaction requested (renewal, instruction permit, duplicate, or out-of-state transfer);
- whether the driver applicant's license has ever been suspended or revoked; or ever been refused, and if so, the date and reason for the suspension, revocation or refusal;
- questions as to the existence of physical or mental conditions which may impair the ability of the applicant to operate a motor vehicle safely or which make such operation hazardous to the public safety;
- completing the fields for type of driver's license, restriction, and eye test results; and
- notice that the applicant's driver's license records will be verified through the National Driver Register and the implied consent law.

Combining the two application forms would result in a very lengthy application that could potentially create confusion, especially for civil identification card applicants in completing fields only meant for the civil identification card application.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
The Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair  
and Members of the Committee on Transportation  
The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair  
and Members of the Committee on Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs  
The Senate  
State Capitol, Conference Room 225  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Inouye and Nishihara, Vice-Chairs Harimoto, and Wakai and Members of the Committees on Transportation, and Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs:

**SUBJECT:** H.B. No. 176 H.D. 1  
Relating to the Consolidation of Motor Vehicle Driver's License and Civil Identification Card Forms

The City and County of Honolulu's Department of Customer Services (CSD) respectfully submits COMMENTS to H.B. No., 176 H.D. 1.

CSD understands the intent of this measure is to consolidate the Civil Identification Card and Driver License forms into one simpler application. The State Department of Transportation designs and dictates the content of the form based on legal requirements. The current Driver License form, for example, asks the applicant for information such as convictions, suspended or revoked licenses, contact lenses, and other medically related questions. By comparison, the Civil Identification Card application does not require extensive questions.

CSD is willing to work with the other counties and State Department of Transportation to develop a form that meets the legal requirements in a clear and consolidated manner.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy M. Leong".

Randy M. Leong  
Deputy Director

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TESTIMONY OF KIPUKAI KUALII  
COUNCILMEMBER, KAUAI COUNTY COUNCIL  
ON  
HB 176, HD1, RELATING TO THE CONSOLIDATION  
OF MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENSE AND  
CIVIL IDENTIFICATION CARD FORMS  
Senate Committee on Transportation  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs  
Monday, March 18, 2019  
1:00 p.m.  
Conference Room 225

Dear Chair Inouye, Chair Nishihara, and Members of the Committees:

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 176, HD1, Relating to the Consolidation of Motor Vehicle Driver's License and Civil Identification Card Forms, which is included in the Hawai'i State Association of Counties Legislative Package. My testimony is submitted in my individual capacity as a Member of the Kaua'i County Council.

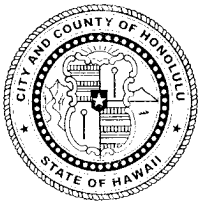
HB 176, HD1, would consolidate the application forms for motor vehicle driver's licenses and civil identification cards, and create a more efficient process for obtaining identification cards.

Thank you again for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 176, HD1. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Council Services Staff at (808) 241-4188.

Sincerely,

KIPUKAI KUALII  
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**House Bill 176, House Draft 1**

Aloha Chair Inouye, Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Harimoto, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

I continue to stand in **strong support** of House Bill (HB) 176, HD1.

The Honolulu Council District I represent and serve includes the Kapalama Hale Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and Satellite City Hall, which continues its reputation of long wait times.

The State of Hawai'i and four counties are continuously working to ease the processes that occur at the DMV and Satellite City Halls, such as online appointment-setting accessibility, temporary business hours during particular Saturdays, the online resource "Hawai'i Driver License/Permit/State Identification Card Required Documents Guide," and most recently, DMV Now kiosks at Safeway Supermarkets across the state.

Despite these efforts, DMVs and Satellite City Halls continue to have long wait times and lines due to a surge in license renewals. Over the last two years, the City and County of Honolulu's driver's license and state identification card renewals increased from 2,000 a month to 12,000 renewals per month. HB176, HD1 is yet another opportunity for the state and counties to work together towards innovative solutions that will simplify the processes for the people of the State of Hawai'i to obtain/renew motor vehicle driver's licenses or state identification cards at its DMVs and Satellite City Halls by helping to alleviate the confusion about information and documents that people shall provide, as well as lessening the amount of paperwork for the DMV and Satellite City Halls to maintain and process.

The proposed legislation to consolidate application forms for motor vehicle driver's licenses and state identification cards was supported and approved by all four counties – Hawai'i, Maui, Honolulu, and Kaua'i - prior to its unanimous approval by the Hawai'i State Association of Counties (HSAC). The proposed language and intent of the bill will also allow for the collaborative efforts between the state and counties to work toward a simpler application form.

I urge your **support** of HB176, HD1.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.