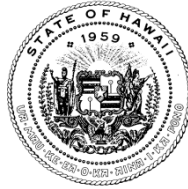


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The Department of Transportation (DOT) is providing **comments** for H.B. 1812 which specifies that the driver's license of a civilian employee or civilian contractor of the United States Department of Defense that expires while the employee or contractor is stationed outside the United States remains valid for ninety days after the employee or contractor returns to the United States.

The current statute being proposed for amendment, §286-106.5, HRS, was enacted to support our resident active duty military personnel and their dependents. The DOT feels that if a courtesy grace period to extend the driver's license expiration date is extended to a special group outside of our active duty military service personnel and their dependents, then it should be extended to all drivers.

However, there needs to be input from the departments that will be directly impacted such as the county Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and police departments. It will need to be determined how the DMVs will address issues such as penalty fees, procedures and qualifications. For the police departments, they will need to determine how to handle a driver with an expired driver's license who may or may not qualify for the grace period.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.