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**S. B. 660**  
**RELATING TO STATE IDENTIFICATION CARDS**

Senate Committee on Transportation

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** this bill.

This bill creates a non-compliant identification card for individuals that are unable to provide a photograph and documentation in-person as required by the REAL ID Act.

To obtain a compliant identification card, the REAL ID Act of 2005 requires all applicants to appear in-person. Severely disabled persons who may be “home bound” require an identification card when conducting various transactions with such entities as financial institutions, health providers, hospitals, government agencies, etc., and do not need an identification card as an accepted domestic travel document or to enter specific federal facilities.

The application requirement of the REAL ID Act of 2005 for an in-person appearance to capture the applicant’s photograph and the presentation of required documentation renders the homebound individuals with severe disabilities incapable of obtaining an identification card, thus creating extreme difficulties, if not impossibilities, in conducting transactions requiring their identification. A non-compliant identification card that requires the same documentation, but allows a non-in-person application that would greatly help these individuals. Allowing the director of transportation authority to develop Administrative Rules that permit the examiner of drivers to accept a non-in-person application and document submission from an applicant’s representative who has “power-of-attorney” or other legal authority to represent the applicant who is not able to apply in-person will allow the homebound applicant to obtain a non-compliant identification card.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.