

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 332

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,
to which was referred S.B. No. 332 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOTARIES PUBLIC,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to prohibit a
commissioned notary public from accepting a limited purpose
driver's license for verification of identification.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Association of Hawaii Notaries.

Your Committee finds that limited purpose driver's licenses
are not compliant with the federal REAL ID Act, are not accepted
for official federal purposes, and do not establish eligibility
for employment, voter registration, or public benefits. According
to testimony received by your Committee, because a limited purpose
driver's license fails to comply with the REAL ID Act, there may
be an increased potential for the use of fraudulent documentation
to obtain this type of license.

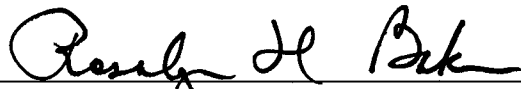
Your Committee further finds that notaries public are public
officers whose duties include protecting a transaction from fraud.
Notaries public should be reasonably sure that the document they
are using to verify a person's identity meets standards for
issuance that are equal to the minimum federal standard. Since
limited purpose driver's licenses have a lower standard for
issuance than the standard required for a regular driver's
license, this measure specifies that commissioned notaries are



prohibited from accepting this type of license for purposes of identification verification.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 332 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce, Consumer
Protection, and Health,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
CPH

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB332	Committee Referral: CPH, JDL	Date: 2/2/2017		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	/			
CHANG, Stanley	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
IHARA, Jr., Les	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.				/
RUDERMAN, Russell E.				/
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center;"><i>Clarence K. Nishihara</i></div>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes