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S.B. 611
RELATING TO USE OF INTOXICANTS WHILE OPERATING A VEHICLE

Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** S.B. 611 relating to the use of intoxicants while operating a vehicle. This bill will allow an ignition interlock permit (IIP) holder to take the necessary tests when applying for relicensing 30 days prior to the revocation period. It prohibits the operation of a vehicle with an IIP without a state identification card and once a notice of administrative records has expired unless the driver has a valid driver's license.

To expedite the reissue of the driver's license once the revocation period has expired, the DOT supports the courtesy to the holder of the IIP as the relicensing process has been taking a longer time due to the volume of driver license testing. The DOT also believes that the current IIP (a printed paper document) is not sufficient to identify the identity of the person on it. Issuing an authentic document will help law enforcement identify the holder of the IIP as the operator of the vehicle by possessing this supporting document.

The DOT urges your support in passing S.B. 611 as it will assist the driver in the relicensing process and law enforcement to verify the holder of the IIP.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.