

Resolution

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APPROVING FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2016 MAUI
COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE A STATE BILL TO
ALLOW PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO INDICATE
ON THEIR IDENTIFICATION CARDS THEIR
DISABILITY

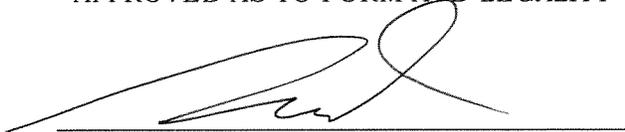
WHEREAS, persons with disabilities have the desire to indicate on their disability on their identification cards, such as the State identification card, driver's license, or identification card for persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, enactment of State legislation allowing identification cards to indicate a person's disability would allow the person access to certain eligible public services and help identify the disability to public safety personnel in case of emergency; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That the proposed State bill, attached as Exhibit "A", to allow persons with disabilities to indicate on their identification cards their disability, is approved for inclusion in the 2016 Maui County Legislative Package; and
2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, County of Maui; the Governor, State of Hawaii; the Senate President, State of Hawaii; and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, State of Hawaii.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY



Department of the Corporation Counsel
County of Maui

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION CARDS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. This legislature finds that persons with
2 disabilities have the desire to indicate on their identification
3 cards, such as the State of Hawaii identification card, driver's
4 license, or an identification card for persons with
5 disabilities, their disability. An identification card clearly
6 indicating a person's disability would allow the person access
7 to certain eligible public services such as special
8 transportation and seating for persons with disabilities at
9 public events. This would also allow the person with disability
10 to communicate any special needs to police and other public
11 safety personnel in the event of an emergency.

12 Those who choose to include the international handicap
13 symbol and information about their disability on their driver's
14 license, State identification card, and identification card for
15 persons with disabilities may do so under this Act.

1 SECTION 2. Section 286-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding new definitions to be appropriately inserted
3 and to read as follows:

4 "Disability" means any physical, mental, or neurological
5 impairment that severely restricts a person's mobility, manual
6 dexterity, or ability to climb stairs; substantial loss of sight
7 or hearing; loss of one or more limbs or use thereof; or
8 significantly diminished reasoning capacity.

9 "Person with disabilities" means any person with a
10 permanent or temporary disability.

11 SECTION 3. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
12 by adding a new section to part VI to be appropriately
13 designated and to read as follows:

14 **"§286- Driver's license for persons with disabilities.**

15 Persons with disabilities may opt to identify their
16 disability on their driver's license upon receipt of the
17 required documentation as stated in this section, from the
18 person requesting its inclusion. The driver's license shall
19 display the international handicap symbol on a location
20 designated by the department."

21 SECTION 4. Section 286-305, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
22 amended to read as follows:

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1 "§286-305 **Contents and characteristics; form.** (a) Each
2 identification card issued by the examiner of drivers shall
3 display a distinguishing number assigned to the cardholder, and
4 shall display the following inscription:

5 "STATE OF HAWAII IDENTIFICATION CARD"

6 (b) The examiner of drivers, after obtaining the
7 fingerprint of the applicant as provided in this part and after
8 obtaining the information required by or pursuant to this part,
9 shall issue to each applicant an identification card in a form
10 and with identifying information that the director deems
11 necessary and appropriate, including a notation of veteran
12 status, if desired by the applicant, on the front of the card
13 where applicable; provided that such notation shall not include
14 any designation other than the term "veteran". As used in this
15 subsection, "veteran" means any person who served in any of the
16 uniformed services of the United States and was discharged under
17 conditions other than dishonorable.

18 (c) The identification card shall not display the
19 cardholder's social security number.

20 (d) The identification card shall be designed to prevent
21 its reproduction or alteration without ready detection.

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1 (e) The identification card for individuals under twenty-
2 one years of age shall have characteristics prescribed by the
3 examiner distinguishing it from that issued to [a] an individual
4 who is twenty-one years of age or older.

5 (f) Persons with disabilities may opt to identify their
6 disability on their identification card upon receipt of the
7 required documentation from the person requesting its inclusion.
8 The identification card shall display the international handicap
9 symbol on a location designated by the department."

10 SECTION 5. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
11 by adding a new section to part XVI to be appropriately
12 designated and to read as follows:

13 **"§286- Identification card for persons with**
14 **disabilities.** (a) The department shall issue identification
15 cards to persons with disabilities pursuant to section 286-305.

16 (b) The identification card for persons with disabilities
17 shall include characteristics and content pursuant to section
18 286-305 and display the international handicap symbol on a
19 location designated by the department. On the reverse side of
20 the identification card shall be a space within which the
21 department shall enter such disability information the applicant
22 may request.

1 (c) The department may display the international handicap
2 symbol on the front and may print the disability information on
3 the reverse on any driver's license or identification card
4 issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter upon receipt
5 of the required documentation from the person requesting its
6 inclusion.

7 (d) An identification card for persons with disabilities
8 shall be issued to a person with a temporary disability upon
9 presentation of a sworn affidavit of at least one medical doctor
10 attesting to such disability and estimating the duration of the
11 disability. Such identification cards shall be issued for
12 periods of six months, and a current affidavit of a medical
13 doctor attesting to the continuance of such disability shall be
14 presented at each request thereafter."

15 SECTION 6. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

INTRODUCED BY: _____

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