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Senate Business and Transportation Committee
Testimony in support of SB 833,
April 11, 2013, 3pm., Room B

Chair Beyer, Sens. Starr, Edwards, Girod, Monroe and Thomsen:

The Oregon Advocacy Commissions are submitting testimony in support of SB 833 which creates a distinct, 4-year Short-Term Driver License for anyone who cannot provide the proper documentation for a standard driver license. Along with access to jobs, shopping, and medical appointments for many families, we consider this to be an effective public safety measure designed to improve traffic safety and reduce the number of unlicensed, uninsured drivers on Oregon's roads.

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- The Commission on Asian & Pacific Islander Affairs
- The Commission on Black Affairs
- The Commission on Hispanic Affairs
- The Commission for Women

We believe that SB 833 represents the needs of every community in Oregon. It reflects the best thought of the bi-partisan legislators, business and faith leaders, law enforcement, insurance industry, farm labor and immigrant leaders who worked collaboratively to prepare its tenets. This bill fulfills multiple aims of ensuring drivers are competent and fully licensed. As important as what the bill provides, it is also important to recognize that the bill does not allow the holders of the permit to drive commercial vehicles, or use it to buy firearms.

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This bill is a good sense approach to solve an immediate problem of thousands of Oregonians who are affected by expired licenses since 2008. We urge you to support it.

Sincerely,

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