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TO: Members of the Transportation Committee

RE: CDL Licenses – HB-2511

Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members of the transportation committee for allowing me to come before you today.

In the Fall of 2017, I was having a discussion with some constituents and the topic of the CDL renewal process came to my attention. At the time, it appeared that the issue had a simple resolution; and you have before you today the product of that discussion.

The issue at hand is the renewal timelines for CDL class A License with Hazardous Material endorsement. The background and fingerprint for the hazmat endorsement is good for 5 years and is a federal requirement while the license from the state is only 4 years. This means that they very seldom would be due at the same time.

At the current time, Missouri has these licenses expire at the same time. I believe this is probably just an oversight; and for efficiency reasons, I believe would simplify the process for the truck drivers.

Thank you for your time and I will be glad to answer questions at the appropriate time.

Sincerely, Representative Cindy Neighbor