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Proposed Bill No. 817, An Act Authorizing the Issuance of Motor Vehicle Licenses By Private Contractors

Good Morning Chairmen Maynard and Guerrero, Ranking Members Boucher and Scribner. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to testify in support of *Proposed Bill No. 817, An Act Authorizing the Issuance of Motor Vehicle Licenses By Private Contractors*

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to contract with third parties for the issuance of motor vehicle licenses.

The DMV has a limited number of branches throughout the state, many with limited services and hours. This makes it at best, inconvenient for people to renew their licenses, register their vehicles, and access many other services provided by DMV. However, for people like seniors who no longer drive, getting to the DMV for a state-issued ID card or other DMV related transactions is more than inconvenient; it poses quite a challenge and hardship.

Allowing DMV to work with third parties like AAA and will allow greater access to DMV services at a lower cost with greater convenience for all residents. I urge the committee to look favorably upon this proposed bill, and I would be happy to answer any questions the committee may have.