



March 16, 2015

House Transportation and Economic Development Committee

RE: HB 2819

Madam Chair and Members of the Committee:

[HB 2819](#) Requires persons 75 years of age or older to renew driver licenses every four years and to take driving test or submit certificate from medical professional.

American Family Insurance has worked with Rep. Komp on the attached amendment which would delete this provision:

(B) Submit a certificate, signed and dated within six months preceding the date of application, by a licensed physician, a certified nurse practitioner or a licensed physician assistant to the Department of Transportation that the applicant does not have a cognitive or functional impairment that affects the person's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle. The certificate must include the state-issued licensing number of the licensed physician, certified nurse practitioner, licensed physician assistant or licensed optometrist who signed the certificate.

It is generally acknowledged that most people's reaction time diminishes as they get older. American Family Insurance is just saying that if you agree people over 75 should be checked from time to time to make sure they can still drive, a driving test is a much better method than having a nurse practitioner say someone is in good health.

If amended, American Family Insurance can support HB 2819.

Thanks for your consideration, and we urge you to adopt the dash-one amendment.

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