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The Honorable Steve Yeager
Speaker of the Nevada State Assembly
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Re: Assembly Bill 140 of the 83rd Legislative Session

Dear Speaker Yeager:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Assembly Bill 140 ("AB 140"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to driver authorization cards; revising provisions governing the renewal of driver authorization cards; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

As stated, a legitimate rationale supporting AB 140 is that it would ensure regulatory alignment and administrative consistency with respect to Drivers Authorization Cards ("DACs") and driver's licenses. However, that justification does not address overriding considerations that more frequent renewals are more appropriate for DACs.

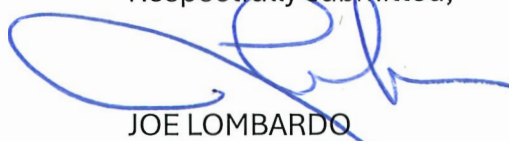
DACs were created by SB 303 of the 77th legislative session. During the bill presentation before the Assembly Committee on Transportation, the bill's sponsor, Democratic Majority Floor Leader Denis said, "[w]ith the implementation of the Real ID Act, the requirements to get a driver's license have become rigorous, and with good reason [...] as you will see, the DAC being proposed is compliant with the Real ID Act, but it is not a Real ID. Holders will not be able to use it to board planes or to use it to gain access to any federal or state services. SB 303 creates the DAC that is good for one year, and can be obtained using different types of documentation than the real ID." Notwithstanding the legislature's creation of yet another extension to the renewal period for DACs, it is notable that in

acknowledging the purpose of DACs, the bill sponsor clearly explained that DACs are not driver's licenses. Moreover, the sponsor later provided, "we understand that there are public safety concerns related to establishing the identity of foreign citizens who apply for a DAC." Those public safety concerns remain today. Relatedly, the evolving landscape of federal authority in this space makes it imprudent to sign AB 140. Finally, the initial purported intent for DACs was, generally stated, to ensure that undocumented immigrants could obtain car insurance. Considering that the majority of car insurance policies last for one year, it is puzzling how this renewal period extension would better serve the insurance-related purpose of DACs.

Driver's licenses are different than DACs, and they should continue to be treated as such. Because this bill would further obfuscate the distinction between driver's licenses and DACs, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,



JOE LOMBARDO
Governor of Nevada

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Stavros Anthony, President of the Senate (without enclosure)
The Honorable Nicole Cannizzaro, Senate Majority Leader (without enclosure)
The Honorable Francisco Aguilar, Secretary of State (without enclosure)
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