

JAN 22 2007

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PROPERTY DAMAGE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. There is established in the department of
2 transportation a two year pilot project to develop and evaluate
3 a program for the acquisition, placement, operation, and
4 maintenance of video surveillance cameras for the purpose of
5 deterring graffiti on state highway signs and of prosecuting
6 offenders.

7 (a) The project shall evaluate and acquire video
8 surveillance systems using criteria including, but not limited
9 to, the following:

10 (1) Quality of the image captured, including digital or
11 analog technology, lines of resolution, color or black
12 and white, night vision capability, and video or still
13 photography;

14 (2) Camera controls, including tilt, pan, and zoom
15 capacity, remote operation by wireless, computer, or
16 internet based system, and associated software, and
17 automatic operation by motion, sound, or light
18 detection;



- 1 (3) On site audible or flashing light alarm systems
2 triggered by offender activity and remote notification
3 to police that activity has been captured by page,
4 electronic mail, or telephone;
- 5 (4) Media on which images shall be recorded and stored,
6 whether at the surveillance site or other, remote
7 location;
- 8 (5) Portability or ability to relocate the system to
9 target high offense activity areas, including self-
10 contained power and wireless data transfer;
- 11 (6) Availability of manufacturer or vendor support,
12 including warranties;
- 13 (7) Previous use for evidence gathering purposes; and
- 14 (8) Cost of acquisition.
- 15 (b) The project shall place the systems acquired in
16 locations with highway signs known or likely to be the target of
17 offenders who "tag" property with graffiti, as defined by
18 section 46-1.5(24)(C).
- 19 (c) The project shall establish and evaluate procedures
20 for operation of the systems, including but not limited to the
21 following:



1 (1) Whether the system will be operated by law enforcement
2 or civilian personnel; and

3 (2) How images will be retrieved and preserved in order to
4 fulfill any chain of custody requirements for
5 admission as evidence in court proceedings.

6 (d) The project shall establish and evaluate procedures
7 for maintenance of the systems, including but not limited to the
8 following:

9 (1) Whether maintenance will be performed by the
10 department of transportation, the vendor, or other
11 third party;

12 (2) Whether systems will be removed for evaluation and
13 preventive maintenance or replaced only upon
14 malfunction; and

15 (3) Whether additional, stand-by equipment will be used to
16 replace systems undergoing maintenance in order to
17 preserve surveillance capacity at the chosen location.

18 (e) If sufficient evidence is obtained by use of the
19 surveillance system to establish the commission of an offense
20 and the identity of the offender, the project shall recommend
21 prosecution of the offender.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and the
4 same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
5 2008-2009, for purposes of the pilot project to deter graffiti
6 and prosecute offenders.

7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
8 of transportation for the purposes of this Act.

9 SECTION 4. The department of transportation shall report
10 to the legislature not later than twenty days prior to the
11 convening of the regular sessions of 2008 and 2009 on the
12 progress of the project, including any recommendations regarding
13 legislation and amounts and means of funding.

14 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007, and
15 shall be repealed on June 30, 2009.

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Report Title:

Surveillance Cameras; Graffiti

Description:

Establishes a pilot project in the department of transportation to develop and evaluate a program for the acquisition, placement, operation, and maintenance of video surveillance cameras for the purpose of deterring graffiti on state highway signs and of prosecuting offenders. Appropriates funds.

