

We, the undersigned, support Senate Bill No. 2324 and House Bill No. 2066, Relating to Law Enforcement. These measures would require that the Deputy Director for Law Enforcement and the State Sheriff have graduated from a law enforcement academy. Enactment of this State public policy will better ensure that effective State policies will be in place that preserve public and officer safety, appropriate training of state law enforcement officers is provided, and law enforcement practices are implemented and followed to successfully address crime in our State. Thank you for your support.

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**TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2066  
RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY**

by  
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House Committee on Public Safety & Military Affairs  
Representative Cindy Evans, Chair

House Committee on Human Services & Housing  
Representative Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Chair

House Committee on Labor & Public Employment  
Representative Alex M. Sonson, Chair

Thursday, February 14, 2008; 8:50 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 309

Chairs Evans, Shimabukuro, Sonson, and Members of the Committees:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) opposes House Bill 2066. This bill limits the ability of the Governor and the Director of Public Safety to appoint candidates that would be the most appropriate for the positions in question. It is critical for the successful operation of any department that the leaders and administrators work together as a unit. Therefore it is critical that the Governor and the Director of Public Safety have the opportunity and the capacity to select those administrators that will work well within the current system. For this reason, the Department of Public Safety opposes House Bill 2066.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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Representative Evans, Representative Sonson and Members of the Committee:

I would like to take this opportunity to request for your strong support of HB 2066, which would repeal exemptions from civil service of the First and Second Deputy Sheriff.

Historically, these exemptions were established when the Office of the Sheriff was under the Judiciary branch of government. The Chief Justice made the appointments to these positions. When the Office of the Sheriff was moved into the newly created Department of Public Safety pursuant to Act 211, SLH 1989, the exemption to civil service of these position were transferred along with newly established Sheriff Division under the Department of Public Safety. While those appointed positions might have been appropriate for the Office of the Sheriff under the Judiciary in the 1980's, it would have a negative impact on the current Sheriff Division organization. In the 1980's, the Office of the Sheriff had authorized positions of approximately 70 deputy sheriffs and related non-uniformed positions. Currently, the Sheriff Division has approximately 360 authorized deputy sheriffs and related non-uniformed positions. Having an appointed First or Second Deputy would have a negative impact on continuity of Sheriff Division operations. As being appointed positions, the persons appointed would inevitably be from outside of the Sheriff Division. This would bring into the Sheriff Division's upper management, persons without the institutional knowledge for effective administrative and operational management of the Division.

Another issue is that maintaining an appointed First and Second Deputy Sheriff may hinder the Sheriff Division's efforts into establishing Deputy Sheriff V (Captain) and

Deputy Sheriff VI (Major) within the Sheriff Division. The Division is currently working with the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) on the process for expanding the Deputy Sheriff class series to include Captains and Majors. It is my concern that the current exemptions from civil service of the first and second deputy sheriff may be applied by DHRD to the proposed Captain and Major classes.

As reflected in the Sheriff Division's organization chart, there are an insufficient number of upper management positions above the operational segments of the Division.

Span of control is a crucial principle in the efficient management of any law enforcement organization. The repeal of the exemptions from civil service of the First and Second Deputy Sheriff as well as the successful establishment of Captains and Majors within the Deputy Sheriff class series will address the span of control issues.

I also support the provision that the Deputy Director for law enforcement and the Sheriff shall be graduates of a law enforcement academy. A solid foundation in law enforcement principles is essential in the effective management of any law enforcement organization. Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this important matter.

Robin Nagamine