

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2180  
A BILL RELATING TO DISASTER RELIEF

PRESENTATION TO THE

COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

BY

MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT G. F. LEE  
DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

February 4, 2008

Chair Inouye and Committee Members:

I am Major General Bob Lee, Director of Civil Defense, State Department of Defense. I am testifying on Senate Bill 2180.

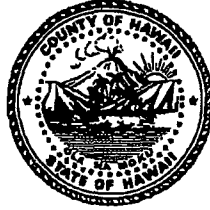
We support the overall intent of Senate Bill 2180 so long as it does not replace or adversely impact priorities as indicated in the Executive Supplemental Budget Request.

The proposed bill provides for local matching funds for the County of Hawaii to continue to receive federal funds for damages incurred as the result of the 2006 Earthquake Disaster: \$1,344,089 to match the non-federal cost share requirements to repair various roads, culverts and bridges under Federal Highway Administration program; \$665,000 to match the non-federal share of FEMA eligible repair projects; and, \$3,761,621 to address additional Department of Water Supply repairs at the Waikoloa Reservoirs and water tanks.

We also want to call attention to Senate Bill 2874 which proposes to appropriate additional funds for earthquake disaster recovery and mitigation projects.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony. Are there any questions?

Harry Kim  
Mayor



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Managing Director

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January 31, 2008

The Honorable Lorraine Inouye  
Chair, Committee on Intergovernmental  
and Military Affairs  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair Inouye and Committee Members:

Re: SB 2180

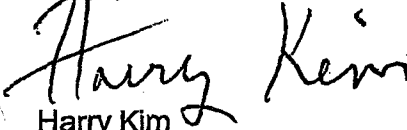
The State Legislature has been generous over the years to all the counties when natural disaster strikes. Hawai'i County would like to ask for your help again, with respect to the earthquake that struck on October 15, 2006, causing great damage on our island.

Last year's Legislature passed an emergency appropriation bill that was meant to help. We did receive \$850,000 for some of our park repairs, for which we are grateful. However, we are told by the State Department of Defense that it is difficult to tap the rest of the funding because the Legislature appropriated the money from the Rainy Day Fund rather than the General Fund, and the Governor does not believe that this is warranted. Moreover, last year's action (HB 1345, CD 1, Act 78 [2007]) covered FEMA approved projects only. Road projects do not come under FEMA, but rather FHWA, so they could not be covered in Act 78.

The County of Hawai'i is left with matching requirements of \$1,344,089 for Federal Highways fund match; \$665,000 for FEMA match; and \$3,761,621 for Department of Water Supply FEMA match and other excess costs. Any financial assistance provided in covering these County out-of-pocket expenses would be appreciated.

I have attached a chart indicating how our numbers were arrived at, and various County departments may be submitting separate testimony. If this Committee requires any additional information, my staff and I stand ready to provide it. If I am not available, please have your staff contact Andy Levin at 961-8211, or Deanna Sako in Accounts at 961-8425.

Alpha,

  
Harry Kim  
MAYOR

Attachment

County of Hawaii  
 Earthquake Costs  
 October 12, 2007

Department	Total Costs	Autorized FEMA Amount	FEMA Share	Cty 25% Match	Possible Insurance Proceeds	State Funding	County Out of Pocket Costs
Fire	96,971.52	44,484.37	33,363.28	11,121.09	52,487.15	-	11,121.09
Civil Defense	119,425.29	119,425.29	89,568.97	29,856.32	-	-	29,856.32
Police	99,634.95	99,634.95	74,726.21	24,908.74	-	-	24,908.74
Environmental Mgmt	301,743.80	122,273.28	91,704.96	30,568.32	131,894.73	-	78,144.11
Mass Transit	26,838.54	26,838.54	20,128.91	6,709.63	-	-	6,709.63
Prosecuting Attorney	1,141.70	1,141.70	856.28	285.42	-	-	285.42
Dept of Public Works (FEMA)	1,643,125.66	1,643,125.66	1,232,344.25	410,781.41	-	-	410,781.41
Dept of Public Works (FHWA)	6,720,445.00	6,720,445.00	5,376,356.00	1,344,089.00	-	-	1,344,089.00
Dept of Public Works - Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office of Housing	3,142.03	3,142.03	2,356.52	785.51	-	-	785.51
Parks & Recreation	1,834,796.04	409,618.56	307,213.92	102,404.64	575,177.48	850,000.00	102,404.64
Dept of Water Supply	5,444,713.00	1,923,534.67	1,442,651.00	480,883.67	240,440.64	-	3,761,621.36
<b>Totals</b>	<b>16,291,977.53</b>	<b>11,113,664.05</b>	<b>8,671,270.30</b>	<b>2,442,393.75</b>	<b>1,000,000.00</b>	<b>850,000.00</b>	<b>5,770,707.23</b>

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**NOTES:**

1. County Out of Pocket Costs includes 25% FEMA Match (Total Costs - FEMA Share - Possible Insurance Proceeds = County Out of Pocket Costs)
2. FHWA matching share is 20%
3. Many of the costs are estimates



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February 1, 2008

The Honorable Lorraine Inouye  
Chair, Committee on Intergovernmental  
and Military Affairs  
415 South Beretania Street  
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Dear Chair Inouye and Committee Members:

Re: SB 2180

The assistance of the State Legislature has been generous and greatly appreciated over the years to all the counties when natural disaster strikes. Hawaii County, Department of Water Supply sincerely asks for your help with respect to the earthquake that struck on October 15, 2006, causing extensive damage to our island-wide facilities.

As described in the January 31, 2008 letter from Hawaii County Mayor Harry Kim, the Department of Water Supply's out-of-pocket expenses are estimated at \$3,761,621.36. Please note—this is after anticipated assistance from FEMA and any insurance proceeds.

The Department Water System facilities incurred significant damage to the 50 million gallon Waikoloa Reservoir No. 2, the Waimea Water Treatment Plant, twenty-three water storage tanks, and main transmission lines throughout the distribution system. Our estimated out-of-pocket expenses are based on a combination of actual construction costs (where repairs are complete) and our engineering design consultants' construction cost estimates. These repairs are two fold: (1) rehabilitation back to pre-disaster condition, as well as (2) retrofits to meet current dam safety construction guidelines of the State of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources and the County of Hawaii Seismic Zone 4 construction requirements.

All facilities listed are vital to continue servicing our County's residents, hospitals, businesses, and visitors. Any financial assistance provided in covering the Department of Water Supply's out-of-pocket expenses would be appreciated.

If any additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to reach me at (808) 961-8050.

Sincerely yours,

Milton D. Pavao, P.E.  
Manager

Thomas Goya  
Chair, Water Board of the County of Hawaii

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