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**TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 387
RELATING TO CORRECTIONS**

By
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House Committee on Public Safety
Representative Faye Hanohano, Chair
Representative Henry J.C. Aquino, Vice Chair

Thursday February 11, 2010; 9:30AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 309

Representative Hanohano, Representative Aquino, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) appreciates the legislature's interest in this matter, and supports the intent of HB 387.

However, PSD, the Hawaii State Civil Defense, and other State and Counties agencies already have well-established cooperative relationships that enable us to work closely together on various issues, including during times of emergencies. PSD has always supported requests for inmate assistance from various Private, County, State, and on occasion, Federal agencies in the past. PSD will continue our cooperative relationship with these entities, and sees no need to codify in statute what is already taking place and works well for all concerned. Therefore, PSD respectfully request that this measure be held.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 387
A BILL RELATING TO DISASTER RELIEF

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

BY

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February 11, 2010

Chair Hanohano and Committee Members:

I am Ed Teixeira, Vice Director of Civil Defense, State Department of Defense. I am providing a comment on House Bill 387.

During past disasters, the State Department of Defense, Civil Defense Division, has requested the use of correctional facility inmates to perform various tasks in support of disaster response and recovery efforts. Inmate labor has proven to be an effective resource. We will continue to request these services where appropriate.

We defer to the Department of Public Safety for additional comments in support or opposition to House Bill 387.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this bill.