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TESTIMONY  
OF  
RUSS K. SAITO, COMPTROLLER  
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES  
TO THE  
HOUSE COMMITTEE  
ON  
PUBLIC SAFETY  
ON  
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H.C.R. 139

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO WORK WITH THE HAWAII LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENTS, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF HAWAII, THE STATE OF HAWAII ORGANIZATION OF POLICE OFFICERS, AND THE CONCERNS OF POLICE SURVIVORS INCORPORATED, TO PLAN AND CONSTRUCT A HAWAII STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL.

Chair Hanohano and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on H.C.R. 139.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent of this concurrent resolution and is willing to work with the representatives that this concurrent resolution names in planning a memorial to honor law enforcement personnel who have made the ultimate sacrifice to serve and protect the people of Hawai'i.

DAGS would like to point out that a memorial worthy of the law enforcement personnel will likely require the services of artists and or design professionals. Because

no money has been set aside for this purpose, the organizations that DAGS is asked to work with should include representatives from the artistic and design professional organizations. DAGS also notes that the representatives that DAGS is asked to work with are from organizations related to law enforcement. Additional representatives from the design professional organizations, landscape architects, and cultural organizations would help with findings, recommendations, and projected costs.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.