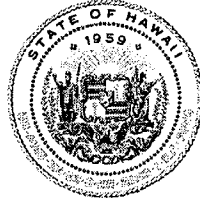
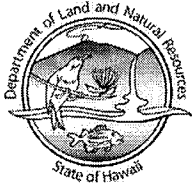


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PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY AFFAIRS**

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**In consideration of  
SENATE BILL 2054  
RELATING TO CIVIL DEFENSE**

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Senate Bill 2054 would establish within the State Civil Defense agency a statewide communications interoperability coordinator. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports the intent of the measure and believes that interoperable communications between federal, state, county and non-governmental organizations are important to public safety and the protection and management of natural resources. The establishment of a statewide coordinator in this regard will further those efforts. The Department defers to the Department of Defense relative to the manner in which to fund this position.