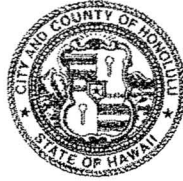


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March 17, 2009

The Honorable Jon Riki Karamatsu, Chair
and Members
Committee on Judiciary
House of Representative
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Karamatsu and Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. 350, S.D. 1, Relating to Use of Force


I am Richard C. Robinson, captain of the Criminal Investigation Division of the Honolulu Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

The Honolulu Police Department opposes Senate Bill No. 350, S.D. 1, Relating to Use of Force. This bill expands the existing Castle Doctrine to outside of the home. The Honolulu Police Department opposes any expansion of the Castle Doctrine to any location outside of the home, and we feel that the current laws provide adequate protection for our citizens. This broad expansion will result in violent confrontations that could have been avoided by retreating and requesting law enforcement intervention.

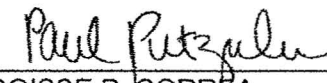
The Honolulu Police Department urges you to oppose Senate Bill No. 350, S.D. 1, Relating to Use of Force.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,


RICHARD C. ROBINSON, Captain
Criminal Investigation Division

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