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Written Testimony

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REQUESTING ALL PROPONENTS OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES, INCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND THE LEGISLATURE, TO ADHERE TO THE HAWAII LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING MANUAL WHEN DRAFTING OR AMENDING MEASURES FOR PURPOSES OF CONSISTENCY AND STYLE

Testimony by the Legislative Reference Bureau Ken H. Takayama, Director

Presented to the Senate Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs

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Chair English and Members of the Committee:

Thank you very much for this opportunity to testify **in support** on Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 223, S.D.1 (proposed), which urges proponents of legislative measures to adhere to the Hawaii Legislative Drafting Manual when drafting or amending legislative measures.

- 1. The staff of the Legislative Reference Bureau strive to adhere to the provisions of the Hawaii Legislative Drafting Manual and will continue to do so in the future.
- 2. With respect to the specific issue of the capitalization of the word "State," we address the matter in our role as Revisor of Statutes by capitalizing according to the drafting manual when publishing the supplements to the Hawaii Revised Statutes and replacement volumes.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to testify.