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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 1065 SD1
A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

by

Jodie F. Maesaka-Hirata, Director
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House Committee on Finance
Representative Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair
Representative Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair

Wednesday, March 30, 2011, 10:00 AM
State Capitol, Room 308

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports Senate Bill 1065 SD1 that proposes to create a new bargaining unit (BU) 14 to represent State Law Enforcement Officers. PSD feels that the creation of a new bargaining unit just for State Law Enforcement Officers like our Deputy Sheriffs and NED Investigators is necessary to address the needs and dangers that these Law Enforcement Officers face every day. County Law Enforcement Officers are represented by a separate union like the State of Hawaii Organization of Police Officers (SHOPO) due to the unique needs and issues of police officers. Presently, the same bargaining units that represent supervisory (BU4), non-supervisory (BU3) white collar Positions, professional and scientific employees (BU13) positions such as clerks, fiscal officers and chemist represent State Law

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Enforcement Officers and Investigators. PSD feels that it is time for State Law
Enforcement Officers to have their own bargaining unit.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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Representative Marcus Oshiro, Chair

Wednesday, March 30, 2011; 10:00 AM
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Representative Oshiro and Members of the Committee:

I would like to take this opportunity to request for your strong support of SB 1065, SD1 which would create a bargaining unit 14 to represent state law enforcement officers.

State law enforcement employees are currently represented by unit 3 and 4, which is designated for non-supervisory white collar and supervisory white collar positions. Law enforcement officers have specific needs and issues that are unique to this class of work. This new bargaining unit 14 will provide for the proper collective bargaining representation exclusively for state law enforcement officers. These specific needs and issues are not shared by other members in unit 3 and unit 4.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this important matter.

Lieutenant Robin Nagamine
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Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and members of the committee. I am Lt. Michael Oakland of the State Sheriff Division and I am writing in STRONG SUPPORT of this bill. I would like to stick to all of my previously written testimony but would like to add that this bill will help state law enforcement officers in the Sheriff's, Harbor Police and DOCARE bargain for basic needs such as ballistic vests etc. that we should get through normal budgeting that none of the state entities, E.G.: DPS, DOT and DLNR seem to feel the need to properly budget for, and this will be one (1) way to start ensuring that these BASIC needs to do our jobs are met.

Mahalo Nui Loa for hearing this bill and if there are any questions I am available to assist in any way needed.

Aloha,

Lt. Michael Oakland, Commander
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