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COMMENTS  
OF  
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TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE  
ON  
WAYS AND MEANS  
ON  
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S.B. 1287, S.D. 1

RELATING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Chair Ige and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to comment on S.B. 1287, S.D. 1.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) is in support of S.B. 1287, S.D. 1.

We do wish to provide comments on three areas. First, the information technology steering committee trust account should be renamed to fit its planned use to support the chief information officer's operations; "the information technology trust account". Second, the information technology trust account should be separate and apart from the shared services technology special fund. S.B 1287, S.D. 1 as it is currently written places the trust account as a sub account of the special fund. The trust account should be separate and apart from the special fund account to avoid any confusion on the appropriation ceiling and to recognize the different means of funding. Third, the bill does

not specifically allow for donated personal services. We would request that a provision be included in the bill to allow for donated personal services.

With the revision being proposed, Section 27-43 (d) would read as follows: "The chief information officer and the comptroller may raise funds to defray administrative costs, and may accept donations of money and personal property; provided that all private donations accepted from private sources shall be expended in the manner prescribed by the contributor, and all moneys received from all sources shall be deposited into the information technology trust account established within the department of accounting and general services. The chief information officer may also directly receive donated personal services and personal property which are donated and for which funding is not required to be deposited and expended from the information technology trust account."

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter.