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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2771 SD1
A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING
TO MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF
COST RELATED TO THE ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION MEETINGS

by

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House Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs
Representative Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair
Representative Ty Cullen, Vice Chair

Wednesday, March 21, 2012; 11:00 A.M.
State Capitol, Conference Room 309

Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports Senate Bill 2771 SD1 that provides for the reimbursement of funds to the Department incurred by its Corrections and Law Enforcement Divisions in providing security, arrest teams, transport teams, dignitary escort, and protection units for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meetings that were held in November of 2011. This Bill provides an avenue for the seven departments involved in this operation to obtain reimbursement and a mechanism to replenish the general fund should the State receive reimbursement from the Federal Government for APEC.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D. M. WONG
ADJUTANT GENERAL
March 21, 2012

Chair Aquino, Vice-Chair Cullen and Committee Members:

I am Major General Darryll D. M. Wong, State Adjutant General. I am testifying on Senate Bill 2771 SD1.

We appreciate the Hawaii State Legislature for their strong support to provide the emergency appropriations in Senate Bill 2771 SD1 for costs incurred in support of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meetings in November 2011.

However, through the hard work of all the State, county, and federal agencies that supported APEC, we were able to secure approval and funds through a National Security Special Event (NSSE) grant from the U. S. Department of Homeland Security well ahead of schedule. The funds are in place and we will start the process of reimbursing all of the agencies that supported APEC.

Since the federal funds have been received, we humbly request that this measure be held. Again, we truly appreciate the Legislature, State, county, and federal agencies who were instrumental in making APEC such a success in Hawaii. Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony. Are there any questions?