# SB 2771

# MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS RELATED TO THE ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION MEETINGS

Description:

Provides reimbursements of funds to the seven departments that incurred costs for planning, safety, and security necessary for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation meetings held in November 2011.

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

by
Jodie F. Maesaka-Hirata, Director
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Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations and Military Affairs Senator Will Espero, Chair Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Kidani and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports Senate Bill 2771 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.



# TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2012

### ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

S.B. NO. 2771, MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS RELATED TO THE ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION MEETINGS.

#### BEFORE THE:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

DATE:

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

TIME: 2:45 p.m.

LOCATION:

State Capitol, Room 224

TESTIFIER(S): David M. Louie, Attorney General, or

Michael S. Vincent, Deputy Attorney General

Chair Espero and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General supports this bill.

The purpose of this bill is to reimburse the Departments of Defense, Public Safety, Land and Natural Resources, Accounting and General Services, Transportation, Health, and the Attorney General, for expenses incurred in ensuring the safety and security of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meetings recently held in Honolulu.

The International significance of the APEC meetings, and the unprecedented presence of so many world leaders in Hawaii, created a daunting challenge for our State.

It was a challenge that was met with great success through the full cooperation of federal, state, and county resources, and the cooperation and aloha spirit of the people of Hawaii.

With no federal or state appropriation available in advance for APEC security related expenses, these state departments had to fund operations with operational budgets that were inadequate for the costs that APEC would incur.

By passing this bill, these departments will be reimbursed for their APEC expenditures, enabling them to continue to provide vital and expected services to the people of Hawaii.

We respectfully request this bill be approved.

# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2771
A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS REALTED TO THE ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION MEETINGS

PRESENTATION TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D. M. WONG ADJUTANT GENERAL February 7, 2012

Chair Espero, Vice-Chair Kidani and Committee Members:

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

We strongly support Senate Bill 2771, since this measure provides an emergency appropriation of general funds for the reimbursement of costs that the State incurred in support of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meetings in November 2011.

With the presence of so many world leaders in Hawaii, the State Department of Defense in coordination with other state agencies planned and executed operations in assisting county agencies in providing safety and security before, during and after the APEC meetings.

The Department of Defense mobilized units and placed Hawaii National Guard soldiers and airmen on state active duty and other state agencies leveraged their expertise to reinforce the City and County of Honolulu, the U. S. Secret Service, and the U. S. State Department to meet stringent security requirements set by the U.S. Secret Service and Department of State. To support this event, we had

to use general funds from our department that were not specifically appropriated for APEC.

The Department of Defense has submitted a consolidated request for a National Security Special Event (NSSE) grant to the U. S. Department of Homeland Security for the reimbursement cost in support of APEC. However, we anticipate that the approval of the grant and funds may not arrive until the end of the fiscal year.

The Department of Defense requires this emergency appropriation to continue its operations to the end of this fiscal year. Funds from the NSSE grant will be returned to the State general fund. Favorable consideration of this measure is appreciated.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony. Are there any questions?