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Monday, April 2, 2012, 3:00 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 308

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S.B. 2774, S.D. 2

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and members of the committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.B. 2774, S.D. 2.

The Office of Information Management and Technology (OIM) supports and recommends passage of S.B. 2774, S.D. 2, which allows government publications to be made available electronically.

The proposed bill is in alignment with the information technology strategic plan currently under development. Providing government publications in electronic versions will not only reduce printing, workload, and delivery costs, but will also promote government transparency, increase public access to information, and preserve documents in the digital domain in a searchable manner for future reference and analysis.

The bill also provides for the chief information office to work with the Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) to review the technology, personnel, training, fiscal and other requirements necessary to implement a program through which state and county agencies would make all of their publications available in electronic format for online distribution. OIMT has already been in discussions with HSPLS to ensure that findings and recommendations are submitted to the legislature as requested in the bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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SB 2774, SD2 – Relating to Government Publications

The Hawaii State Public Library System strongly supports SB 2774, SD2.

The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) seeks to update the existing Chapter 93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, in response to changes in technology and in order to reduce printing, workload and delivery costs for State and County agencies.

Chapter 93 establishes a system for distributing State and County publications. Each agency is required to deposit fifteen copies of every publication with the State publications distribution center, which is part of the HSPLS. Feedback over the years has indicated that seven copies are sufficient for almost all publications; only a few need wider distribution. The proposed amendment allows the distribution center to request more copies when appropriate, but relieves the Hawaii State Public Library System of the burden of handling unneeded materials and relieves the other agencies of printing and delivering more copies than are

useful. The proposed revision of Chapter 93 also directs each agency to notify the distribution center of the posting and Internet website location of all electronic publications. This increasingly popular means of producing government materials was not addressed in the existing chapter.

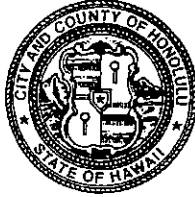
This bill also allows HSPLS to work with the chief information officer, with the assistance of the office of information management and technology, to review the technology, personnel, training, fiscal, and other requirements necessary to implement a program through which state and county agencies would make all of their publications available in electronic format for online distribution. There have already been several meetings and discussions in this regard, and HSPLS looks forward to playing an increased role in the Government to Citizen communication link.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this measure.

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The Honorable Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair
and Members of the Committee on Finance
House of Representatives
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Oshiro and Committee Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. 2774, SD2
Relating to Government Publications

The Department of Planning and Permitting **supports** Senate Bill No. 2774, SD2 **with one amendment**. The bill reduces the number of print copies of publications required to be deposited with the state publications distribution center. It also requires information on all electronic publications to be submitted to the state publications distribution center and requires a report to the 2013 state legislature on requirements necessary to implement a program providing all government publications on-line.

We agree that this bill is a step forward in using on-line technology to increase accessibility to government records and reduce government publication costs. However, please **amend** the bill to require that the requested report be prepared in consultation with county agencies. Such consultation will be helpful in structuring a workable implementation strategy that takes into account county needs and impacts.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David K. Tanoue", is written over a horizontal line.

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