

HB 1136, HD2

Measure Title:

RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL.

Description:

Appropriates unspecified sums to the DOD for the civil air patrol.
Effective 07/01/2050. (HD2)

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1136 HD2
A BILL RELATING TO RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL

PRESENTATION TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D. M. WONG
ADJUTANT GENERAL
March 14, 2013

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

I am Major General Darryll D. M. Wong, State Adjutant General. I am testifying in strong **SUPPORT** of House Bill 1136 HD2.

This appropriation will allow the Hawaii Wing of the Civil Air Patrol to continue their support of State Civil Defense and all the county emergency management agencies. The Civil Air Patrol (CAP) aircraft conduct tsunami warning missions to areas where there are limited outdoor siren coverage. After a tsunami, CAP aircraft are equipped with an electronic pod that can provide pictures of property damage in real time. CAP aircrews receive search and rescue training and can assist after a disaster. These mission capabilities are a critical part of our state's emergency management. A lack of funding will hamper the entire state in its response to disasters.

The requested funding will assure that Hawaii Wing of the Civil Air Patrol has trained pilots, observers and scanners who can respond to emergencies when call upon.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in **SUPPORT** of HB 1136 HD2.

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
BY

MR. DOUG MAYNE
VICE DIRECTOR OF STATE CIVIL DEFENSE
March 14, 2013

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

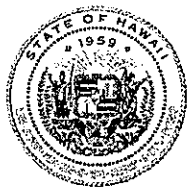
I am Doug Mayne, Vice Director of State Civil Defense. I am testifying in strong **SUPPORT** of House Bill 1136 HD2.

The Civil Air Patrol (CAP) supports State Civil Defense and the emergency management agencies of all the counties. Prior to the arrival of tsunamis, they fly over areas where outdoor siren coverage is limited, warning citizens of the impending danger. CAP aircraft conduct damage assessments following natural disasters. Their aircraft can also conduct search and rescue operations. These CAP capabilities that is critical to our state's emergency response.

This appropriation will assure the Hawaii Wing of the Civil Air Patrol will continue their vital emergency missions in support of emergency management.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in **SUPPORT** of HB 1136 HD2.

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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March 14, 2013
2:55 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 224

**H.B. 1136, H.D. 2
RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL**

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.B. 1136, H.D. 2.

The DOT mission includes support of a strong aviation industry in the State of Hawaii, of which the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) is an important part.

The CAP plays a vital role in strengthening the community's aviation resource, performing vital emergency functions throughout the state, as well as providing a superb venue for youth involvement in aviation. The community relies on this volunteer, civilian arm of the Air Force for warning citizens to evacuate from potential tsunami flood areas as well as conducting damage assessment following a natural or other disaster. The CAP also plays a critical role in search and rescue and drug interdiction operations statewide.

DOT supports the CAP by providing space for their hangars, but they must rely on other much-needed funding for training, facilities, and other vital program needs.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



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Submitted on: 3/12/2013

Testimony for PSM on Mar 14, 2013 14:55PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Roger M. Caires	Civil Air Patrol	Support	No

Comments: I urge your strong support of this bill.

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Submitted on: 3/13/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Guy Croydon	Civil Air Patrol	Support	No

Comments: I urge your strong support. Mahalo

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Marquis Dawkins	Civil Air Patrol	Support	No

Comments: The Civil Air Patrol is one of the greatest organizations anyone can belong to. From Aerospace Education to Tsunami and Disaster Warnings and assistance, they have been there every step of the way, with volunteers from all works of life who dedicate their time and talents to the betterment of our islands and our nation as a whole.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Colonel Herbert Kaneshige	Civil Air Patrol, Hawaii Wing	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
CoriAnn Barquis-Hoch	West Oahu Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol	Support	No

Good afternoon members of this committee. I am First Lieutenant CoriAnn Barquis-Hoch I joined Civil Air Patrol at the age of 12 where I learned to support my community during the Iniki Hurricane and I am currently a senior member in the Civil Air Patrol's West Oahu Composite Squadron located at Kalaeloa. I greatly appreciate this opportunity to testify in VERY STRONG SUPPORT of House Bill 1136, HD1. As you know the purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to the Department of Defense for the Civil Air Patrol.

The appropriation from the State to the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol Wing, through the Department of Defense will benefit all of the squadrons statewide if our efforts to provide training in search and rescue, perform Tsunami warning missions, aerospace education for our cadets, show the value of community service and most of all preparing the younger generation to be valuable leaders to our communities, state and nation. When Civil Air Patrol is called upon to provide warning sirens during the recent Tsunami threats the pilots, senior members and cadets did not hesitate to step into action. When the attack on the World Trade Center took place Civil Air Patrol was the only aircrafts allowed to fly and provide real time photographs of the area. Our organization is a key part in every community within this state and her future leaders. The funds provided by the Department of Defense will ensure we continue to have trained pilots and all the trained personnel needed to keep providing the vital emergency services when we are called upon. In summary, teaching good leadership, volunteerism and community service is not only what Civil Air Patrol is about, but it is essential to our future generations and leaders.

Thank you for allowing me the time to opportunity to share my strong support for HB1136,HD1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
LT COL DARRYL CHOY	HAWAII WING CIVIL AIR PATROL	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Colonel Stanley Y. Fernandez		Support	No

Comments: Am in "strong support" for HB1136. Passage and funding will critically affect the ability of the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol to support the Hawaii State Department of Defense and Civil Defense in the tsunami and state disaster missions. Urge your strong support to pass HB1136, Appropriations for Civil Air Patrol.

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on:

3/13/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Carswell Ross	Individual	Support	No

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Presentation to: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY,
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1136, HD 2: RELATING TO CIVIL AIR
PATROL

March 14, 2013, Conference Room 224

Good afternoon Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker and members of the Committee. I am Lt. Col. Carswell Ross, a senior member of the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol, former Commander of the 66th Composite Squadron located at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii. I appreciate this opportunity to testify in **strong support** of House Bill 1136, HD2. The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to the Department of Defense for the Civil Air Patrol.

The appropriation from the state to the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol Wing, through the Department of Defense will benefit not only my Squadron but all CAP Squadrons statewide in our efforts to provide training in search and rescue activities, perform Tsunami warning missions for citizens of Hawaii, offer aerospace educations to the cadets, and demonstrate the meaning of community service. Please allow me to remind the committee that the CAP was called upon to provide warnings to Hawaii' citizens, who were unable to hear the Civil Defense sirens during our most resent Tsunami events. The CAP was able to provide pictures, in real time, of property damage. Upon the "all clear" the CAP assisted with damage assessment activities. CAP was able to perform these public service activities at minimal cost

to the government primarily because we have pilots that are trained in performing the Tsunami mission. The funds provided to DOD will assure that Hawaii has trained pilots, observers and scanners who can respond to emergencies when call upon. In summation, teaching good citizenship and volunteerism to future leaders and providing tsunami warning services to Hawaii's residents is an appropriate use of these funds.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer my comments in strong support of HB 1136, HD2.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lisa A. Myrick	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly urge you to support this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Martin Percifield	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I urge your strong support for this important program.

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Kenneth Kriner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this measure

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kurt D Swinburnson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: URGE YOUR STRONG SUPPORT.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Glenn Anderson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I urge your strong support.



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Presentation to: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1136, HD2

RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL

March 14, 2013

Conference Room 224

Good afternoon Chair Espero and members of the Committee. I am Lt Col. Robert J Becka, a senior member of Civil Air Patrol, Commander of Honolulu Flight, 419 Lele St, Honolulu, HI 96819. I appreciate this opportunity to testify in strong support of House Bill 1136, HD2. The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to the Department of Defense for the Civil Air Patrol.

The appropriation from the State to the Hawaii Wing will benefit not only my unit but all of Hawaii Wing. We are all volunteers that provide a vital service to the State of Hawaii. Recently, even though we were never officially called, but knew there was an enormous earthquake in the South Pacific that had the potential to generate a tsunami that could affect Hawaii, our unit within an hour of the quake had two confirmed crews ready to man the available aircraft assigned to our unit. Time and again, the only reward being the chance to help our community, volunteers such as myself stand ready and able to assist any time of day or night. The key to our success is to remain current, proficient, and in a mission ready status at all times. It is vital to have funding in order to be able to operate our aircraft to maintain this status. The return on investment is immeasurable, both in times spent training or conducting actual missions, to the training, leadership and mentoring we show towards our cadets and other senior members, the future leaders of our community and nation.

The funding we receive is money well spent, and is paid back in community support many times over.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer my comments in strong support of

HB 1136, HD2

James Bedient
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March 12, 2013

To: Hawaii State Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental And Military Affairs

Re: Testimony in support of HB 1136

Aloha! The Hawaii Wing of the Civil Air Patrol has provided service to the State for well over 50 years. The Civil Air Patrol fulfills three missions in the State of Hawaii: Aerospace Education, Cadet Programs, and Emergency Services. The CAP's 100% volunteer force helps to educate and motivate Hawaii's youth, and stands ready to aid all people of the State in time of emergency. The CAP provides tsunami warning services for the State, and has responded to every tsunami watch and warning as agreed with State Civil Defense.

Though a 100% volunteer force, CAP still needs funds for facilities and operating expenses. Any organization is only as good as the training it provides to its members. CAP is just as affected by rising costs as any other organization. A steep rise in fuel prices in particular threatens to curtail training.

I ask you then to approve HB1136 and fund it a level that allows CAP to continue providing service to the people of the State of Hawaii.

Very respectfully,

James Bedient

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Liliana Ballesteros	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Civil Air Patrol is key and detrimental resource, to the ensuring our islands are safe have a well prepared non-profit disaster assistance segment in our infrastructure. It is made up completely of volunteers, providing service and assistance to the community.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Carol Murray	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I urge support of this important bill to protect residents of Hawaii.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Patrick A. Collins	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a CAP member that is aware of the importance of the local mission; I ask our representatives to support his mission. The Civil Air Patrol can save many lives in the execution of our missions. I am an airline captain that willingly gives of my free time to support this mission. I hope this gives an idea of how highly I believe in CAP.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Casey Rogers, MD	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I urge your strong support. The Civil Air Patrol provides an invaluable service that no one else can perform at very low cost. All the members are skilled volunteers who respond to tsunamis and other emergencies at a moment's notice.

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Paul W Rollman Jr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support funding to CAP.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea M Rollman	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I strongly support funding to CAP.