

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 527 HD1
A BILL RELATING TO RELATING TO UNIFORM MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

PRESENTATION TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

BY

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Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair Johanson and Members of the Committee on Finance:

I am Major General Darryll D. M. Wong, State Adjutant General. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of House Bill 527 HD1.

This allowance, enacted in 1967, provided for an allowance to professionally launder uniforms for enlisted National Guard members.

Today's uniforms are largely made of wash and wear materials, virtually eliminating the need for professional laundering

The numerous benefits accorded by the Hawaii Legislators to National Guard and other military members in recent years will more than cover the loss in funds when the Uniform Maintenance Allowance be repealed.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on behalf of Hawaii's National Guard members in support of HB 527 HD1.