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WRITTEN COMMENTS
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TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
WAYS AND MEANS
ON
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H.B. 762, H.D. 2

RELATING TO WASHINGTON PLACE

Chair Ige and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit written comments on H.B. 762, H.D. 2.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) strongly supports H.B. 762, H.D. 2, an administration-sponsored measure.

Effective July 1, 2012, Act 106, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012 (the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2012), transferred the funding for the management and operations of Washington Place to DAGS under our Central Services Division. H.B. 762, H.D. 2 codifies the transfer of management and operations of Washington Place.

Additionally, H.B. 762, H.D. 2 establishes a trust fund for the repair, maintenance, and upkeep of Washington Place. Currently, any rent or revenue received from the use of Washington Place is deposited into the general fund. The proposed trust fund will allow all

revenue from rentals, donations, concessions, etc., to be deposited into this trust fund and expenditures will be used to aid DAGS in fulfilling its responsibilities to maintain and upkeep this historic site.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written comments on this matter.