

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 850  
A BILL RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY

PRESENTATION TO  
THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND  
THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY,  
& INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, & CULTURE AND THE ARTS

BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D. M. WONG  
ADJUTANT GENERAL  
February 7, 2013

Chair Aquino, Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ing, Vice Chair Ito, and Members of the Public Safety and the Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts Committee:

I am Major General Darryll D. M. Wong, State Adjutant General. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of House Bill 850.

HB 850 establishes an Office of Homeland Security in the State Department of Defense. This bill will allow the consolidation of functions already performed by State Civil Defense and the Hawaii National Guard into one office that reports directly to the Adjutant General, who serves as the Governor's Homeland Security Advisor. The State Fusion Center will be part of the Office of Homeland Security.

HB 850 provides a legislative basis for performing tasks and missions that we are already doing. The State Office of Homeland Security will take responsibility of several programs that State Civil Defense has been running with the Hawaii National Guard since 2001. The programs include grant management, critical infrastructure protection and processing security clearances for local and state government.

This bill will allow us to organize more efficiently and move personnel from State Civil Defense into this new structure to provide better support to the people of Hawaii. Establishing the Office of Homeland Security requires no additional funding – personnel and office space already exist within SCD and State Department of Defense.

I strongly urge you to pass HB 850.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

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BY

MR. DOUG MAYNE  
VICE DIRECTOR OF STATE CIVIL DEFENSE  
February 7, 2013

Chair Aquino, Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ing, Vice Chair Ito, and Members of the Public Safety and the Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts Committee:

I am Doug Mayne, Vice Director of State Civil Defense. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of House Bill 850.

HB 850 will strengthen Homeland Security in Hawaii by establishing the Office of Homeland Security in the State Department of Defense, and codifying functions we are already performing within State Civil Defense and the Hawaii National Guard. This will consolidate those functions in one office that reports to the Adjutant General.

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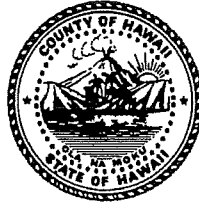
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William P. Kenoi  
Mayor

Walter K.M. Lau  
Managing Director



Darryl J. Oliveira  
Director of Civil Defense

## County of Hawaii

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February 6, 2013

Representative K. Mark Takai, Chair  
House Committee on Veterans, Military & International Affairs,  
and Culture and the Arts  
State of Hawaii

Dear Representative Takai,

I would like to submit this letter of testimony in favor of House Bill 850 and request your consideration and support with the passage of this measure. As proposed, House Bill 850 provides for the following:

- Current and contemporary statute language that establishes the legislative basis for performing tasks and missions that the emergency management community at the State and County levels is presently performing. The proposed language would align our state's statutes with nationally recognized emergency management principles and organizational structure.
- Authorizes (but does not require) the counties to establish local offices of homeland security.
- Allows the state to organize more efficiently to support the citizens and the counties.
- Establishes the Office of Homeland Security in the State Department of Defense.
- Strengthens Homeland Security in Hawaii by codifying functions the state is already performing and consolidating them in one office.

I would like to thank for this opportunity to provide you with this written testimony and strongly encourage and request your support and passage of this measure as written.

Sincerely,

Darryl Oliveira, Director  
County of Hawaii Civil Defense Agency



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February 7, 2013

The Honorable Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Public Safety  
The Honorable K. Mark Takai, Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Veterans, Military, and International  
Affairs, and Culture and the Arts  
State House of Representatives  
Hawaii State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Aquino and Takai and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. 850, Relating to Homeland Security

I am Gordon Gomes, Captain of the Major Events Division, Honolulu Police Department, City and County of Honolulu.

The Honolulu Police Department supports House Bill No. 850, Relating to Homeland Security. Establishing a state homeland security office and authorizing the counties to create organizations for homeland security will provide unified planning among the various state and county agencies and a more efficient and comprehensive approach toward threats in our isles.

Consolidating the homeland security functions that the State is currently performing and codifying the roles and responsibilities will also facilitate interagency operations.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. I urge your committee to support and pass House Bill No. 850.

Sincerely,

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GORDON GOMES, Captain  
Major Events Division

APPROVED BY:

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LOUIS M. KEALOHA  
Chief of Police

NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
GOVERNOR



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**STATE OF HAWAII**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT**  
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February 5, 2013

TESTIMONY TO THE  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY  
AND  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS  
AND CULTURE AND THE ARTS

For Hearing on Thursday, February 7, 2013  
11:15 a.m., Conference Room 309

BY  
BARBARA A. KRIEG, DIRECTOR

**House Bill No. 850**  
**Relating to Homeland Security**

**WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY**

TO CHAIRPERSONS HENRY J.C. AQUINO AND K. MARK TAKAI AND MEMBERS  
OF THE COMMITTEES:

The purpose of HB 850 is to establish a homeland security office within the  
Department of Defense.

The Department of Human Resources Development has **comments** regarding  
the appointment and compensation of an administrator of homeland security. We  
recommend that the language be revised to clarify the intent of this measure that the  
administrator of homeland security shall be exempt from civil service. In addition,  
according to Chapter 26-56, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the salary commission  
determines the salaries of the governor, lieutenant governor, chief of staff, department  
heads and deputies. The salary commission does not have the authority to determine  
the salary of the administrator of homeland security. As an alternative, the following  
language can be used to allow the director to determine the administrator's pay. We  
recommend the following language be used to replace lines 22 and 23 on page 4, and

lines 1 and 2 on page 5:

“The director shall appoint an administrator of homeland security, who shall be exempt from chapter 76, who shall be subject to removal by the director, and who shall receive such compensation as the director may determine.”

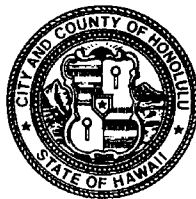
Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.

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DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

650 South King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 / (808) 723-8960

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR

February 6, 2013

The Honorable Henry Aquino, Chair and Members  
of the Committee on Public Safety  
House of Representatives  
State Capitol, Room 309  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Aquino and Members:

SUBJECT: H.B. 850 Relating to Homeland Security

I am Melvin Kaku, Director of the Department of Emergency Management, City and County of Honolulu.

The Department of Emergency Management, City and County of Honolulu, strongly supports H.B. 850 which provides a legislative basis for performing missions and tasks that we are already performing when members of our community are faced with a natural or man-made hazard incident. This bill allows the State to organize more efficiently to support our counties, communities, and citizens through the establishment of the Office of Homeland Security in the State Department of Defense. Through consolidating office functions that the state is already performing and codifying roles and responsibilities, the Office of Homeland Security will further strengthen the State's Homeland Security program.

H.B. 850 also authorizes but does not require the counties to establish local offices of homeland security. For the City and County of Honolulu, the Department of Emergency Management already performs these homeland security missions and tasks. Therefore, to recognize that the City's Department of Emergency Management is performing this role and responsibilities, it is requested that "Paragraph 5 County organizations for homeland security" last sentence be amended to read "If a county does not establish a separate organization for homeland security, the functions listed in section -4 shall be incorporated into the responsibilities of the county civil defense agency/City and County of Honolulu, Department of Emergency Management."

I urge your committee to support and pass H.B. 850 with our proposed amendment language. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

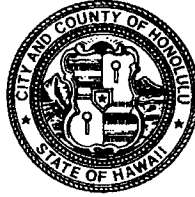
Sincerely,

  
Melvin N. Kaku  
Director

CC: Ember Shinn, Managing Director

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February 6, 2013

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and Culture and the Arts  
House of Representatives  
State Capitol, Room 309  
415 South Beretania Street  
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I urge your committee to support and pass H.B. 850 with our proposed amendment language. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

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Melvin N. Kaku  
Director

CC: Ember Shinn, Managing Director



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**HB850**

Submitted on: 2/5/2013

Testimony for PBS/VMI on Feb 7, 2013 11:15AM in Conference Room 309

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Luke Campbell	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Seriously?!? DHS adds NOTHING to our security now .. why would we make a "mini-me" here in Hawaii? WHAT terrorist threat of attack? You cannot out-guess insane people. We simply have to be individually watchfull .. WITHOUT government intervention.

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Dear Committee Members;

HB 850 proposes to fund and develop a department of government that would be redundant. The governor already has the authority to call the National Guard to duty for the protection of the citizens of this state. Let's utilize this already existent governmental service to provide the protection of our citizens from potential terrorist attack rather than invest an extreme amount of money to develop something we already have.

Another fact makes this department unnecessary. The US military that utilizes our strategic location to defend the country already ensures the security of our state's citizens.

Please do not waste taxpayers' money on such a frivolous and unnecessary function.

For Larry Quimbly

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Ronald Davis	Individual	Oppose	No

**Comments:**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
rosemary aldridge	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Another bill to grow our government! We already have the Department of Homeland Security in Washington that has been ineffective at best and has encroached on our personal liberties at worst. There is no proof DHS has eliminated any threats but time and time again we have examples of inefficiency and worse, corruption and very serious laws being committed by DHS employees. Is this what we want to duplicate in Hawaii? I noted in the bill there was no estimate of cost. Typical. Just another way to grow unions in Hawaii.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lee Aldridge	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose HB850 because it creates the initial phase of what is sure to become a vast new State bureaucracy which parallels the Federal Dept. of Homeland Security. I believe a State Department of Homeland Security is an unnecessary and a costly duplication of Federal and State functions already performed by existing agencies. Furthermore, this bill appears to empower the State Homeland Security Director and his appointed Administrator with duties that exceed the State's Constitutional authority as found in section 4, paragraph 5, page 6 wherein the Administrator will "...foster coordination with all the nations of the Pacific region..". Isn't dealing with other nations the duty and responsibility of the United States Federal Government and not State government? Overall, just another layer of State government increasing the cost to State taxpayers without a demonstrated benefit.

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# **RICHARD K. MINATOYA**

TESTIMONY

ON

HB 850 - RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY

February 7, 2013

The Honorable Henry J. C. Aquino  
Chair  
The Honorable Kaniela Ing  
Vice Chair  
and Members  
House Committee on Public Safety

The Honorable K. Mark Takai  
Chair  
The Honorable Ken Ito  
Vice Chair  
and Members  
House Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts

Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Ing, and Members of the PBS Committee, and Chair Takai, Vice Chair Ito, and Members of the VMI Committee:

I am Richard Minatoya, and I serve as the Maui County member of the Civil Defense Advisory Council. I STRONGLY SUPPORT HB 850, Relating to Homeland Security.

HB 850 codifies homeland security functions already being performed by the State Department of Defense and State Civil Defense by establishing an Office of Homeland Security in the State Department of Defense. Functions currently being handled will be consolidated into one office, at no additional cost to the State, resulting in a more effective homeland security system to support the counties and citizens of this state.

I ask that the committees PASS HB 850 AS IS.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide testimony on this bill.



February 7, 2013

**House Committee on Public Safety**

Chair Rep. Henry Aquino, Vice Chair Rep. Kaniela Ing and Committee Members

**House Committee on Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts**

Chair Rep. K. Mark Takai, Vice Chair Rep. Ken Ito and Committee Members

Public Hearing, February 7, 2013, 11:15 a.m., Conference Room 309, State Capitol

**TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM F. ANONSEN**  
**CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**IN SUPPORT OF HB 850**  
**ESTABLISHES A HOMELAND SECURITY OFFICE**

My name is William F. Anonsen, the Managing Partner/Principal of The Maritime Group, and the Chair of the State Civil Defense Advisory Council. I would like to express my personal unequivocal support for consideration of HB 850 and its passage which would establish the Office of Homeland Security in the State Department of Defense and help foster security cooperation between federal, state, county and private sector partners. This measure would provide the necessary statutory authority to help support a comprehensive program that provides security for our citizens, critical infrastructure, and economic vitality from the increasing possibility of terrorist or man-made threats.

The passage of this bill serves to strengthen Homeland Security initiatives and programs in Hawaii by codifying administrative and operational functions the state is currently performing, and consolidating them into a single office. This action will provide more efficient organizational structure that is needed to ensure our remote island state is best prepared to respond and protect our citizens, and support the efforts of state and county agencies.

Homeland Security is a top priority for the State of Hawaii, given our isolation and our vulnerability to a myriad of potential threats both natural and man-made. On behalf of the members of the Civil Defense Advisory Council, we respectfully ask for your favorable consideration on this bill.

*Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and comment on HB 850*

Sincerely,

*William F. Anonsen*

William F. Anonsen  
Managing Partner/Principal  
Chair, Civil Defense Advisory Council

cc: MG Darryll Wong, Adjutant General