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TESTIMONY  
OF  
DEAN H. SEKI, COMPTROLLER  
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TO THE  
HOUSE COMMITTEE  
ON  
FINANCE  
ON  
March 28, 2013  
S.B. 1000, S.D. 1

RELATING TO THE ACCESS HAWAII COMMITTEE

Chair Luke and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.B. 1000, S.D. 1.

The Department of Accounting and General Services strongly supports S.B. 1000, S.D. 1, an administration-sponsored measure.

The Access Hawaii Committee (AHC) was established to oversee the State of Hawaii's internet portal activities. Now that the State has a full-time Chief Information Officer (CIO) to provide the overall direction and vision for information technology, designating the CIO or the CIO's designee to serve on and chair the AHC aligns the AHC's responsibilities with the State's strategic vision.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.



*The Judiciary, State of Hawai'i*

**Testimony to the House Committee on Finance**

Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair  
Representative Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair  
Representative Aaron Ling Johanson, Vice Chair

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**Bill No. and Title:** Senate Bill No. 1000, S.D. 1 Relating to the Access Hawaii Committee

**Purpose:** Designates the Chief Information Officer or the Chief Information Officer's designee to serve on and chair the Access Hawaii Committee. Requires the access Hawaii committee to include the portal manager's financial reports in its annual report to the legislature. (SD1)

**Judiciary's Position:**

The Judiciary supports this bill. The Access Hawaii Committee provides oversight of the State's web portal manager, which is currently contracted to the Hawaii Information Consortium (HIC). HIC is allowed to contract with any state agency to provide web services both transactional and free. Over the past twelve years in partnership with state agencies the portal manager has grown in size and now provides a significant proportion of the State's web services. As a member and chairman of the Access Hawaii Committee, the State's chief information officer (CIO) will be able to provide information on the statewide information technology initiatives and assist with the alignment and prioritization of these initiatives with the portal manager's initiatives.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 1000, S.D. 1.