

LATE TESTIMONY

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**Presentation to: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY,
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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 1328: RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL

February 7, 2013

Good afternoon Chair Espero and members of the Committee. I am Lt Kenneth Kriner, a senior member of Civil Air Patrol , Kauai Composite Squadron located on Kauai. I appreciate this opportunity to testify in strong support of Senate Bill 1328. 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 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 SB 1328.

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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. Just yesterday, 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, and 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 SB 1328.

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Submitted on: 2/6/2013

Testimony for PSM on Feb 7, 2013 15:00PM in Conference Room 224

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Susan Turner	Civil Air Patrol	Support	No

Comments: I am Capt. Susan Turner a senior member of Civil Air Patrol, of the 66th Composite Squadron located at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii. I appreciate this opportunity to testify in strong support of Senate Bill 1328. 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 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 SB 1328.

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Lisa Myrick	Civil Air Patrol	Support	No

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Good afternoon Chair Espero and members of the Committee. My name is 2nd Lt Yvonne Taylor with the Kona Composite Squadron in Kailua-Kona, HI. I appreciate this opportunity to testify in strong support of Senate Bill 1328. The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to the Department of Defense for the Civil Air Patrol .

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On February 6, 2013 when the Civil Defense issued a Tsunami Watch after the earthquake in the Solomon Islands, we had 2 pilots immediately make their way to our airplane and prepared it for flight if the Watch changed to Warning. In addition to the pilots, we also had over 20 cadets at the squadron building ready to do whatever our community needed. Without funding, we would not be able to keep trained pilots available nor train our Cadets in radio communications, ground search and rescue, first aid and many other important tasks for our community.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer my comments in strong support of SB 1328.

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Carol Anne Murray	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support SB1328 to support training for the volunteer pilots, observers, and scanners in the Civil Air Patrol. I serve as a volunteer Mission Pilot for the Lyman Field Composite Squadron in Hilo, Hawaii. When the Tsunami Warning was announced in late October 2012, I served as Mission Observer for the Tsunami Warning flight originating in Hilo, circling the island in the dark of night all the way to South Point. Due to the training provided by State of Hawaii support to Civil Air Patrol, we were able to alert campers along the shore who were beyond the sirens and sound out aircraft siren in areas where the Civil Defense sirens failed. We are the fail safe system for Hawaiian families along the coast and we could not do this without your support. Please generously support this essential service and reap the benefits of citizen volunteers who dedicate our lives to serve the public interest without compensation. It is a privilege to serve in the Civil Air Patrol, however, we depend upon your funding support to fulfill this important mission.

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Greg Landers	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Thank you very much for your consideration of funding for the Civil,Air Patrol Tsunami I strongly encourage your support of SB1328. The Civil Air Patrol has been able to provide great service and assistance in all counties across the state during our Tsunami warnings this past year. I am on the Big Island which has large areas not served by Tsunami sirens. My friends and neighbors are extremely happy with my volunteer efforts to provide early warning and safety to their, and my, Ohana. Please help this safely continue and support SB1328 Mahalo