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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2916  
RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY

By  
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Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor  
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair  
Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair

Monday, February 29, 2016; 10:05 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 016

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports** Senate Bill (SB) 2916, which seeks to add misdemeanor offenses under Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 134 (Firearms, Ammunition and Dangerous Weapons) to the offenses that disqualify parolees from the provisions of Act 139, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012.

The Department believes that a convicted felon on parole should not be allowed to possess any type of firearm, ammunition, and/or any dangerous weapon as detailed in HRS Chapter 134 and respectfully urges the Committee to pass this common sense measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

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The Hawaii Paroling Authority (HPA) strongly supports Senate Bill 2916, which is an Administrative Bill. The Bill seeks to include misdemeanor offenses under Chapter 134 (Firearms, Ammunition and Dangerous Weapons) Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) to the offenses that disqualify parolees from the provisions of Act 139, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012.

The HPA firmly believes that no convicted felon on parole should be in possession of any type of firearm, ammunition and/or any dangerous weapon as outlined in Chapter 134, HRS. Parolees found in violation of Chapter 134, HRS should be disqualified from the maximum six (6) months parole revocation period outlined in Act 139, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB 2916.