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TESTIMONY ON

SB 514 - RELATING TO THEFT OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

February 23, 2015

The Honorable Gilbert S. C. Keith Agaran Chair The Honorable Maile S. L. Shimabukuro Vice Chair and Members Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

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

The Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Maui, SUPPORTS **SB 514** - Relating to Theft of Personal Electronic Devices. **SB 514** establishes a Class C felony for theft of personal electronic devices that may be used to store or retrieve personal information.

Today's personal electronic devices - smart phones, tablets, laptops and the like - are able to contain various items of personal information. The law needs to reflect this change in technology.

Accordingly, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Maui, SUPPORTS the passage of this bill. We ask that the committee PASS SB 514.

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



Hawaii State 28th Legislative Session Public Testimony SB 514,JDL 016, Monday, February 23, 2015

"Identity theft involving these cards is a growing form of white collar crime, facilitating illegal immigration, banking and accounting fraud, tax evasion and other nefarious activities."

Ron Lewis

<u>I stand in resounding support of SB 514.</u> Establishes a class C felony for theft of personal electronic devices that may be used to store or retrieve personal information.

Commonly known as pocket surfing, electronic pick pocketing or crowd hacking these terms refer to the ability to scan personal information without your knowledge nor permission just by walking by you as far as 25feet away. RFID. With a Scanner and buster Whether you are walking thru the mall, airport, or at the Super Bowl. Signal Vault sells for under \$15 or you can by aluminum wallet or wrap you credit cards in tin foil.

"If we don't act now to safeguard our privacy, we could all become victims of identity theft"

Bill Nelson

I Support SB514.

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