

SB 746

RELATING TO CYBERSECURITY

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 746
A BILL RELATING TO CYBERSECURITY

PRESENTATION TO
THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
and
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

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February 18, 2015

Chair Espero, Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Baker, Vice Chair Slom and Members of the Senate Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Economic Development and Technology:

I am Brigadier General Arthur J. Logan, State Adjutant General and the Director of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 746.

This measure exempts the Hawaii cybersecurity, economic, education, and infrastructure security coordinator from civil service. It also establishes one secretary position, which should not be an exempt position.

These positions are essential to the overall cybersecurity initiative. Cybersecurity is a growing concern and a coordinated action by government and private business is required. The security coordinator will be the center point of this coordinated action.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 746.



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The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO opposes a portion of Section 2 of S.B. 746 that exempts the Secretary position to the Cyber Security Coordinator from Chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes. This particular type of exemption from civil service has become all too prevalent and is inconsistent with purpose and intent of Article XVI of the Hawaii State Constitution and Section 76-1 HRS.

While we understand the unique qualifications needed to recruit for a Cyber Security, Economic, Education and Infrastructure Coordinator, there is no legitimate reason for a clerical support position to be exempted from civil service. This position should be filled within the civil service system and the employee should be provided with the same employment protections as other clerical support staff throughout state government.

We appreciate the opportunity to oppose exempting the Secretary position from civil service, as contained in S.B. 746.

Respectfully submitted,

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