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OF  
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TO THE  
HOUSE COMMITTEE  
ON  
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

March 23, 2017

H.B. 1129, HD1

RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

Chairs Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of the provision of law enforcement services as proposed in H.B. 1129, HD1.

The Stadium Authority (Authority) prioritizes guests' safety as paramount in all of its events held at the Aloha Stadium. In order to ensure an optimum level of safety and security is achieved, the Authority regularly procures the services of special duty law enforcement officers to provide this service.

Deputy Sheriffs that are provided to the Authority through the Department of Public Safety (DPS) have been instrumental in supporting and/or supplementing the Authority's need to provide law enforcement presence at its events. Over the past two decades, the Authority has worked in conjunction with DPS in various capacities to meet this end.

The Stadium Authority respects and appreciates the Legislature's intent and effort to systematize and provide uniformity in application and compensation of this law enforcement service.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on HB 1129, HD1.

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March 23, 2017

To: The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair,  
The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair, and  
Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental,  
and Military Affairs

Date: Thursday, March 23, 2017  
Time: 1:15 p.m.  
Place: Conference Room 229, State Capitol

From: Linda Chu Takayama, Director  
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

**Re: H.B. 1129 HD1 Relating to Special Duty for Deputy Sheriffs**

DLIR strongly supports HB1129, HD1 which proposes to statutorily authorize what is commonly known as “special duty” service, wherein deputy sheriffs serve the community by providing off-duty law enforcement services for monetary compensation to persons, organizations, and government entities other than the State Department of Public Safety.

Deputy sheriffs have provided this service for several years to our department. The presence of special duty deputy sheriffs at the entrance to our building and their escort service for disruptive visitors provide a sense of security and safety for the staff and visitors.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony.

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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1129, HOUSE DRAFT 1  
RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

by

Nolan P. Espinda, Director  
Department of Public Safety

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs  
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

Thursday, February 28, 2017; 1:15 p.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety **supports** House Bill (HB) 1129, House Draft (HD) 1, which proposes to statutorily authorize what is commonly known as “special duty” services, wherein deputy sheriffs serve the community by providing off-duty law enforcement services for monetary compensation to persons, organizations, and government entities other than the State Department of Public Safety (PSD). HB 1129, HD 1 further proposes that PSD update and revise its policies and procedures governing the processing of special duty requests and establish a compensation schedule for law enforcement services provided by deputy sheriffs performing special duty work.

Deputy sheriffs have for decades provided off-duty law enforcement work as a service to the community in a wide variety of areas. For example, deputy sheriffs routinely provide security presence for the primary and general elections at the State Capitol; the State Department of Tax and Labor Relations building during business hours; after-hours construction projects at state buildings; collegiate and high school sporting and extra-curricular events at the University of Hawaii, Aloha Stadium,

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Department of Education schools (Kapolei, Moanalua, Kaiser, Castle, Radford, and Mililani); daily security presence and traffic control at private schools such as Punahou and Maryknoll; as well as privately sponsored events enjoyed by the public such as the Sony Open, triathalons, marathons, and privately held events at the Okinawan Center, Bishop Museum, YMCA's, Dole Cannery, and churches, to name a few.

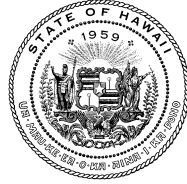
The Department now comes before the Legislature to request the statutory authority to continue the service that we have routinely provided for years. State agencies as well as many of the State of Hawai's communities and organizations avail themselves of these services. PSD stands ready to update and revise our policies and procedures governing the processing of such requests and our compensation schedule.

Finally, the Department requests one revision to include in the proposed section 353C- \_\_ (b), at the end of line 11, page 2 of HB 1129, HD 1: "Department" as defined in section 353C-1. This will provide clarity that it is PSD that shall develop the special duty policy and procedures.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE  
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From: Maria E. Zielinski, Director  
Department of Taxation

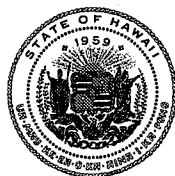
Re: H.B. 1129, H.D. 1, Relating to Special Duty for Deputy Sheriffs

The Department of Taxation (Department) strongly supports H.B. 1129, H.D. 1, and provides the following comments your consideration.

H.B. 1129, H.D. 1, proposes to statutorily authorize what is commonly known as “special duty” service, wherein deputy sheriffs serve the community by providing off-duty law enforcement services for monetary compensation to persons, organizations, and government entities other than the State Department of Public Safety. The bill has a defective date of July 1, 2099.

Deputy sheriffs have provided this service at the Princess Ruth Keelikolani Building for several years. Special duty deputy sheriffs provide a necessary law enforcement presence and ensure the safety of everyone at our Department. The development of policy and procedures for the processing of special duty requests is very important to the Department as we may need additional special duty deputy sheriff services as the medical marijuana dispensary programs become operational throughout the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.



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**TESTIMONY OF THE  
CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER, OFFICE OF ELECTIONS  
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY,  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS  
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 1129 HD1  
RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS**

March 23, 2017

Chair Nishihara and members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of House Bill No. 1129 HD1. The purpose of this bill is to require the Department of Public Safety to develop policy and procedures to govern the processing of requests from deputy sheriffs performing special duty, and to establish a compensation schedule for deputy sheriffs performing special duty.

House Bill No. 1129 HD1 proposes to statutorily authorize what is commonly known as "special duty" service, wherein deputy sheriffs serve the community by providing off-duty law enforcement services for monetary compensation to persons, organizations, and government entities other than the State Department of Public Safety.

The Office of Elections utilizes the State Capitol as our control and counting centers for primary and general elections. In addition, we utilize the State Office Building in Hilo as a counting center for the County of Hawaii, and various state buildings have served as polling places. The deputy sheriffs have provided valuable security services at these locations during the elections. We have benefited from their assistance for more than 20 years. They have been cooperative in meeting our security requirements and schedule. Deputy sheriffs have ensured that only properly credentialed personnel have access to the control and counting centers. We feel a law enforcement presence is necessary

at a location where sensitive election materials are distributed, collected, and processed, thereby maintaining the integrity of the electoral process. Their presence also ensures the safety of the more than 600 staff and volunteers working on election day. We look forward to continue working with them in future elections.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill 1129 HD1.





# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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Testimony Presented Before the  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs  
March 23, 2017 at 1:15 p.m.

by  
Carrie Okinaga, Vice President for Legal Affairs  
University of Hawai'i System

HB 1129 HD1 – RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding HB 1129 HD1 Relating to Special Duty for Deputy Sheriffs.

The University of Hawai'i ("University") supports HB 1129 HD1 which proposes to statutorily authorize what is commonly known as "special duty" service, wherein deputy sheriffs serve the community by providing off-duty law enforcement services for monetary compensation to persons, organizations, and government entities other than the State Department of Public Safety.

Deputy sheriffs have provided this service for the last few years at Les Murakami Stadium. Special duty deputy sheriffs provide a necessary law enforcement presence and ensure the safety of everyone at our events at the stadium. The deputy sheriffs have replaced the presence of county police officers at these events.

Based on the foregoing, the University supports HB 1129 HD1.



**HAWAII GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION**  
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The Twenty-Ninth Legislature, State of Hawaii  
The Senate  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Testimony by  
Hawaii Government Employees Association

March 23, 2017

H.B. 1129 H.D. 1 - RELATING TO  
SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO supports the purpose and intent of H.B. 1129, H.D. 1, which requires the Department of Public Safety to develop policies and procedures to govern the processing of requests from Deputy Sheriffs that perform special duty and to establish a compensation schedule for law enforcement services provided by Deputy Sheriffs that perform special duty.

H.D. 1129, H.D. 1 provides for consistency, transparency and fairness within the Department of Public Safety. The Legislature, having this recognition, leads the department in a positive direction.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of H.B. 1129, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

  
for Randy Perreira  
Executive Director

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1129, HOUSE DRAFT 1  
RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

by

Sergeant Edward C. Stankos

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Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

Thursday, March 23, 2017; 1:15 p.m.

State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support House Bill (HB) 1129, House Draft (HD) 1.

Deputy Sheriffs have long served the community by providing Special Duty Services in a multitude of ways. Deputy's regularly provide law enforcement presence at the State Department of Tax and Labor Relations building; sporting events at the University of Hawaii, Aloha Stadium, Department of Education school fields, and private school venues. Deputy's also provide services at privately sponsored such as the Sony Open, events at the Blaisdell Arena, just to name a few. Deputy's are also crucial in their use at construction sites and roadwork ensuring the safety of the public. I really believe this bill is necessary to continue to provide this crucial service to the people of the State of Hawaii, it's just another positive way

Department can help protect and serve this great State. Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

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Henry Rente	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support House Bill (HB) 1129, House Draft (HD) 1. Deputy Sheriffs have long provided our community with Special Duty Services in numerous of ways. Deputy Sheriffs regularly provide law enforcement presents at various State of Hawaii, Public and Private Schools and at various private businesses. Deputy Sheriff's also provide services at private sponsored events for the Sony Open, various concerts at the Blaisdell Area, Waikiki Shell just to name a few. Deputy Sheriffs are also crucial in providing traffic control services at construction sites and roadwork to ensure the safety of the public. I believe this bill is necessary to continue to provide this crucial service to the people of the State of Hawaii, it's just another positive way the Department of Public Safety, Sheriff Division can help protect and serve the State of Hawaii. Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

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Lt Michael Oakland	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and members of the committee: I am Michael Oakland, HGEA BU-14, Oahu Island Chairman, which represents Deputy Sheriffs', Ocean Safety, Harbor Police and DOCARE Officers and I would like to STRONGLY Support this measure. Deputy Sheriffs' are still the lowest paid law enforcement in the state of Hawaii, and special duty is a mechanism to supplement their income as well as meeting the needs of the community statewide in providing law enforcement services for many community events. I do realize that the county police departments do provide these services as well, but there are so many requests for these services that all of the agencies combined are not enough to meet the communities needs. Please consider passing this bill so deputies and their families will continue to serve the community in this way uninterrupted. Mahalo Nui Loa for this chance to testify and I look forward to this statutory clean up. Aloha, Michael Oakland, HGEA BU-14, Oahu Island Chairman

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