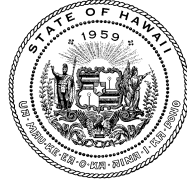


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To: The Honorable Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
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Date: Thursday, April 6, 2017
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Place: Conference Room 211, State Capitol

From: Maria E. Zielinski, Director
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Re: H.B. 1129, H.D. 1, Relating to Special Duty for Deputy Sheriffs

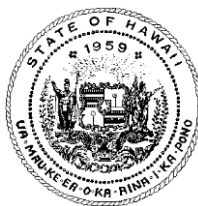
The Department of Taxation strongly supports H.B. 1129, H.D. 1, an Administration measure, and provides the following comments your consideration.

H.B. 1129, H.D. 1, requires the Department of Public Safety to develop policy and procedures to govern the processing of requests for “special duty” service performed by deputy sheriffs. Deputy Sheriffs perform “special duty” service by providing off-duty law enforcement services for monetary compensation to persons, organizations, and government entities other than the Department of Public Safety. The bill has a defective effective date of July 1, 2099.

Deputy Sheriffs continue to provide “special duty” service at the Princess Ruth Keelikolani Building where the main Department of Taxation office is located. 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 these requests is very important to the Department as additional “special duty” services may be requested in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.

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

by

Nolan P. Espinda, Director
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Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

Thursday, April 6, 2017; 9:30 a.m.
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Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **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. 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.

The department apologizes for its failure to sufficiently communicate to this body, the highest priority of this measure for its Law Enforcement Division. We humbly urge the Committee on Ways and Means to allow PSD to overcome this admitted failure, and we give our full assurance that we will strive to better communicate our priorities and the justifications for them in the future.

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 Taxation and Department of Labor and Industrial 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, 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, triathlons, marathons, and privately held events at the Okinawan Center, Bishop Museum, YMCAs, 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 Hawaii'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.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

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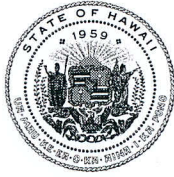
From: Linda Chu Takayama, Director
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

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 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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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 1129 HD 1
RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

April 6, 2017

Chair Tokuda and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

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H.B. 1129, HD1

RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, 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.



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the
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by
Carrie Okinaga, Vice President for Legal Affairs
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HB 1129 HD1 – RELATING TO SPECIAL DUTY FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of 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 the stadium. The deputy sheriffs have replaced the presence of county police officers at these events. Deputy sheriffs have also provided valuable special duty services at large events on the University's Mānoa campus.

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



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Testimony by
Hawaii Government Employees Association

April 6, 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 a compensation schedule and policies & procedures to govern the special duty requests for Deputy Sheriffs.

Although policies and procedures regarding to special duty currently exist, H.D. 1129, H.D. 1 ensures express statutory authorization to govern special duty, equivalent to that of county police officers. This measure ensures consistency, transparency and fairness within the Department and represents active steps in a positive direction.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Comments: Dear Senators, My name is Peter Guerrero and I am a deputy sheriff with the State of Hawaii, Department of Public Safety. I am writing to request your support for HB1129, HD1. This legislation is essential for the continuation of the special duty program under the Sheriffs Division. By establishing clear out policies and procedures for special duty assignments, it is beneficial to both the vendors and the deputy sheriff's as well. I understand that working special duty is a privilege, and that my main responsibility as a deputy sheriff is with the department. However, the extra money I earned has helped me financially and has given me means to buy a condominium with this supplemental income. I am able to support myself with a job I truly enjoy. Your support would be truly appreciated.

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