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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1130, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

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Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor Senator Gilbert S. C. Keith-Agaran, Chair Senator Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair

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

Thursday, March 30, 2017; 10:50 a.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 211

Chairs Keith-Agaran and Tokuda, Vice Chairs Rhoads and Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) strongly **supports** House Bill (HB) 1130, House Draft (HD) 1. This measure would provide PSD the opportunity to improve the pre-employment hiring practices for corrections programs and facilities by applying the same hiring standards utilized by the Department in the hiring of State law enforcement officers.

PSD currently screens law enforcement applicants by utilizing technology to evaluate an applicant's history as it relates to prior employment, false information, violence, theft, drug use, and other factors. This would include the ability to apply lie detector and psychological tests during the pre-employment screening process. The proposed measure would simply enable the Department to utilize the same technologies and procedures for both the Corrections and Law Enforcement Divisions.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

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