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TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA  
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE  
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
ON  
SENATE BILL NO. 941

**March 21, 2017**

**2:00 P.M.**

**Room 308**

**RELATING TO ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER**

Senate Bill No. 941 clarifies the statute section authorizing the electronic transfer of funds for the State Treasury banking accounts.

The Department supports this measure to update and amend Section 40-51.5, HRS, to specifically include Automated Clearing House (ACH) transactions when conducting State business utilizing electronic funds transfers. This will provide the Department with the explicit authority to allow certain ACH transactions affecting the State's bank accounts with the approval of the Director of Finance.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.