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**Testimony in SUPPORT of H.B. 1518, HD1, SD1
RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS.**

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR
Hearing Date: Tuesday, April 4, 2017 Room Number: 016

1 **Fiscal Implications:** None

2 **Department Testimony:** The Department appreciates and SUPPORTS H.B. 1518, HD1 SD1.

3 This measure establishes a process by which a state agency may request the Office of
4 Information Practices (OIP) to declare a person a vexatious public records requester.

5 Thankfully these events are rare. However, the Department has experienced interactions
6 with extremely difficult persons. Several years ago, the Department encountered Birthers. The
7 experience resulted in Act 100, SLH 2010. Act 100 exempted disclosure of government records
8 in response to duplicate requests from a single requestor and provided that the agency to which
9 the request was made satisfied specified requirements.

10 Act 100 sunsetted on July 1, 2014. And as included in HHSC's testimony, the
11 Department recently encountered another similar series of requests.

12 This bill would provide relief to a state agency in the same way Act 100 did. For this reason,
13 the Department SUPPORTS the passage of H.B. 1518, HD1 SD1.

14 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in SUPPORT of H.B. 1518, HD1 SD1.

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Richard Spacer	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha members: I oppose this bill. Citizens have the right to make document requests. An easily say a citizen is harassing them when a reord request is made to an agency that the agency does want to process. Right now the Kauai mayor is refusing to release documents to me about the propsed fencing project at Lepeuli, Kauai. A county project intending to block a state owned historic ala loa trail. The mayor refuses to release meeting minutes between him and area landowners because the minutes will reveal the illegality of the project. Citizens must retain strong document access laws. We do not want laws helping obstructive agencies and officials like the Kauai mayor. Thank you.

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