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TESTIMONY OF  
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TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS  
ON  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018  
2:55 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 224

S.B. 2123

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO STUDY ALTERNATIVES FOR THE  
REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION OF THE STATE CAPITOL REFLECTING POOL.

Chair Kim, Vice Chair Ruderman, and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on S.B. 2123.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) appreciates the intent of this measure which provides guidance and financial assistance to preserve this character defining feature of our State Capitol.

DAGS has begun the planning and design process with the \$1.2 million appropriated for this purpose by Act 49, SLH 2017. Our efforts will be coordinated with the State Capitol Management Committee prior to implementation.

DAGS will continue to move the project forward using the \$1.2 million appropriated thus far.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this matter.

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**Testimony of  
SUZANNE B. CASE  
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**

**Tuesday, February 13, 2018  
02:55 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In Consideration of  
SENATE BILL 2123  
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO STUDY ALTERNATIVES FOR THE  
REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION OF THE STATE CAPITOL  
REFLECTING POOL**

Senate Bill 2123 proposes to make an appropriation of \$100,000 to the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) to conduct a study of various alternatives for the rehabilitation and renovation of the state capitol reflecting pool. The **Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) acknowledges the intent of this measure and provides the following comments.**

As noted in Senate Bill 2123, the State Capitol is a historic building listed in the Hawaii Register of Historic Places, as well as the National Register of Historic Places. It is an iconic structure unique among all state capitol buildings. The Department recognizes the importance of preserving the reflecting pools as they are among character defining features of the building, part of what makes the State Capitol iconic, while at the same time ensuring that they are functional and ensure the integrity of the State Capitol itself.

Should this measure get enacted, the Department looks forward to collaborating with DAGS to ensure that the requirements Chapter 6E, Hawaii Revised Statutes are satisfied and that the recommendations made conform to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for rehabilitation of historic properties.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

**SB-2123**

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Testimony for GVO on 2/13/2018 2:55:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Cyndi Apana	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I have worked or been around the Capitol for twenty years. The reflecting pools were disgusting then and are getting even more disgusting. The algae and the smell are incredibly bad for a building which represents our beautiful state. It says we don't care. I wish instead of a study this was an action to address the problem. Please do something.

Cyndi Apana