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TESTIMONY OF
RODERICK K. BECKER, COMPTROLLER
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TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEES ON
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
AND
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
ON
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018
2:45 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 224

SB 3011

RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL.

Chair Kim, Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Ruderman, Vice Chair Wakai, and members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on SB 3011.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) appreciates this opportunity to offer the following comments for the committee's consideration.

The State Capitol Management Committee, established under Chapter 6E-34.5 of Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), is responsible for the oversight and management of the State Capitol and its grounds and facilities. Among the Committee's jurisdiction is to, 1) approve all policies and procedures relating to the general operations and management of the State Capitol and its grounds and facilities including parking, building access, operating hours, and general security policies; 2) develop and recommend improvement, program, and operational priorities that require fiscal resources to the Legislature; 3) review and authorize the repair and maintenance

schedule for the State Capitol and its grounds and facilities, and any other capital improvement projects (CIP) relating to the upkeep, renovation, restoration, use and maintenance of the building, its grounds and facilities; and 4) review and authorize the expenditure of any moneys appropriated to and allocated by the Departments of Budget and Finance, Accounting and General Services, and Public Safety for the State Capitol, its grounds, and facilities.

DAGS believes the appropriate means to develop a plan and implement security improvements at the State Capitol should involve the State Capitol Management Committee since the authority to oversee and manage the State Capitol rests with the Committee by statute. The minimum security requirements as listed in S.B. 3011 including controlled access points, fencing or other appropriate barriers, and employment of security personnel could hinder the State Capitol Management Committee's ability to prioritize appropriate security measures. DAGS is prepared to assist the Department of Public Safety to develop a plan and implement security improvements under the direction and guidance of the State Capitol Management Committee.

With respect to parking, DAGS notes that relocating the public meters at the Capitol to other parking lots will displace State employees that are currently assigned to the parking stalls. The cost to reconfigure and relocate public meter stalls is estimated to be \$500,000. Also, increasing the total number of available parking stalls for State Capitol occupants would ultimately result in reducing the total number of available parking stalls for other State employees and affect public parking used by visitors and constituents at the State Capitol, reducing their ability to access the building and its occupants.

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

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 3011
RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL
by
Nolan P. Espinda, Director
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Senate Committee on Government Operations
Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
Senator Russell E. Ruderman, Vice Chair

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair
Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

Thursday, February 8, 2017; 2:45 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

Chairs Kim and Nishihara, Vice Chairs Ruderman and Wakai, and Members of the
Committees:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) appreciates the intent of Senate Bill (SB) 3011, which would direct the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) to work with PSD and others to plan and implement security improvements at the State Capitol and require DAGS to reassign use of certain parking stalls within the State Capitol area. PSD, however, requests that this measure be held.

Pursuant to section 6E - 34.5, HRS, the oversight and management of the State Capitol and its grounds and facilities shall be vested in the state capitol management committee. Pursuant to section 6E - 34.5(f), HRS, the state capitol management committee shall:

- (2) Develop and recommend to the legislature capital improvement, programmatic, and operational priorities that require fiscal resources . . . ;

- (3) Review and authorize the repair and maintenance schedule for the state capitol, its grounds and facilities, and any other capital improvement projects . . . ; and
- (4) Review and authorize, but not execute, the expenditure of any moneys appropriated to and allocated by the department of budget and finance, accounting and general services, or public safety for the state capitol and its ground and facilities.

The proposed actions in SB 3011 for DAGS and PSD to plan and implement State Capitol security improvements, which shall include controlled access points with equipment to detect weapons and contraband, fencing or other barriers, and private security personnel hired to screen for weapons and contraband, fall squarely within the statutorily mandated purview of section 6E – 34.5, HRS.

PSD notes that the department is currently assessing and evaluating the operability and efficiency of the cameras, capillary readers, and keyboard alert system, as well as the maintenance contract for these systems, which is estimated to be at least \$87,000.00. Without a legislatively authorized appropriation and expenditure, the Sheriff Division has been forced to cover these costs through their operating budget.

For these reasons, we respectfully request that this measure be held.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE
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**Testimony of
SUZANNE B. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
and
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS**

**Thursday, February 8, 2018
2:45 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In Consideration of
SENATE BILL 3011
RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL**

Senate Bill 3011 proposes to direct the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) and the Department of Public Safety (PSD), in consultation with the Legislature and any other applicable entities to promptly plan and implement security improvements at the Hawaii State Capitol, which shall include, at a minimum: (1) Controlled access points, on the rotunda and chamber levels, having appropriate equipment to detect weapons and other contraband; (2) Fencing or other appropriate barriers to prevent unauthorized vehicles from entering the capitol grounds; and unauthorized access to the capitol rotunda. This measure also proposes to authorize employment of private personnel to staff controlled access points to screen for weapons and contraband, effectuate the security improvements, and perform these duties in coordination with the law enforcement personnel of the State and the City and County. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) appreciates the intent of this measure and recommends that it be amended as detailed below.**

The Hawaii State Capitol is listed in the Hawaii and National Registers of Historic Places and located in the heart of the Capitol Historic District. It is both architecturally and historically significant. Its design is unique among the state capitol buildings in the United States. Any alterations made to the State Capitol to implement Senate Bill 3011 must be done in a manner that protects and preserves the architectural features that define its character as a historic building.

The Department's State Historic Preservation Division does not have statutory authority to exempt projects from state historic or historic preservation review requirements. The fact that the State Capitol is listed in the National Register of Historic Places does not, by itself create a federal review requirement. Review under federal historic preservation law will be necessary only if the security improvements are being accomplished either with federal funds or require a federal permit, license or other federal mandate. Accordingly, the Department recommends that it be amended to read as follows; SECTION 1 (3)(b)

(b) The department of land and natural resources state historic preservation division shall promptly evaluate [~~necessity of any exemptions from applicable historic preservation designations or related restrictions~~] and review any project(s) necessary to implement the intent of this Act, and advise the department of accounting and general services of the potential impacts of such projects to the historic character defining feature of the Capitol building. The state historic preservation division shall review such projects as of highest priority to accomplish the security improvements. The state historic preservation division shall assist the department of accounting and general services to expedite and facilitate the [~~application~~] review and approval, ~~as appropriate,~~ for any necessary [~~exemptions from state or federal historic preservation laws.~~] security improvements.

The Department looks forward to working with DAGS and PSD to implement the necessary security improvements in a timely manner while preserving the historic character of the State Capitol.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



Senate Committees on Government Operations; and Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and
Military Affairs
Chair Donna Mercado Kim, Chair Clarence Nishihara

02/08/2018 2:45 PM Room 224
SB3011– Relating to the State Capitol

TESTIMONY / OPPOSE
Corie Tanida, Executive Director, Common Cause Hawaii

Dear Chair Kim, Chair Nishihara, and members of the committees:

Common Cause Hawaii opposes SB3011 which would direct DAGS and PSD to plan and implement security improvements at the state capitol. It also requires DAGS to reassign public parking at the state capitol.

While we understand that security improvements at the capitol may be needed, this should not occur at the expense of public access and participation. We have grave concerns and question how fencing, security checkpoints, private security guards, and other security measures will impede the public's access to the legislature.

We also question why DAGS is *required* to eliminate all public parking at capitol, but establishing public parking at the Kinau Hale parking lot is *optional*. Eliminating public parking at the capitol without an adequate substitute, much like the other security measures proposed by this bill, would create a needless hurdle for the public, and likely result in less participation.

We believe that democracy works better and is more representative when more people participate, and urge you to defer SB3011.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony **opposing SB3011**.

HISTORIC HAWAII FOUNDATION

TO: Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
Senator Russell E. Ruderman, Vice Chair
Committee on Government Operations

Senator Clarnece K. Nishihara, Chair
Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

FROM: Kiersten Faulkner, Executive Director
Historic Hawai'i Foundation

Committee: Thursday, February 8, 2018
2:45 p.m.
Conference Room 224

RE: **SB 3011, Relating to the State Capitol**

On behalf of Historic Hawai'i Foundation, I am writing **with comments and concerns on SB 3011, with recommended amendments.**

The bill would direct the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) and the Department of Public Safety (DPS), to plan and implement security improvements at the state capitol. The bill also directs the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) to evaluate, and if necessary, exempt the security improvements from state or federal historic preservation laws.

Since 1974, Historic Hawai'i Foundation (HHF) has been a statewide leader for historic preservation. HHF works to preserve Hawaii's unique architectural and cultural heritage and believes that historic preservation is an important element in the present and future quality of life, economic viability and environmental sustainability of the state.

The Hawai'i State Capitol is designated on both the Hawai'i and National Registers of Historic Places. It is also a centerpiece of the Capital Historic District. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the completion of the Capitol, and the Legislature has directed that there be a commemoration of this historic building and its role in Hawaii's history.

The Capitol's architectural significance derives in part from the symbolism of the building features, which reflects the cultural, social and natural histories of Hawai'i. As the only island state in the nation, Hawaii's geography is unique. The design of the State Capitol reflects that geography: the reflecting pools stand for the Pacific Ocean; the two chambers show the strength of the volcanic origins of the islands; the columns symbolize palm trees; and the rotunda is open to the sky. The historic designation also specifies that the reinforced concrete fourth floor overhang (which is the fifth floor terrace) is based on an inference to the Greek and western architectural motivators, while the reinforced concrete roof is an inference to oriental architecture and culture.

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Historic Hawai'i Foundation was established in 1974 to encourage the preservation of historic buildings, sites and communities on all the islands of Hawai'i. As the statewide leader for historic preservation, HHF works to preserve Hawai'i's unique architectural and cultural heritage and believes that historic preservation is an important element in the present and future quality of life, environmental sustainability and economic viability of the state.

Any proposal that affects the historic structure should first begin with an understanding of the character-defining features that contribute to its historic significance. Any proposed changes, revisions or alterations must be designed and implemented in a way that protects the historic integrity of the Capitol, and that ensures that any alteration to the historic building will take care to avoid adverse effects on those features.

There have been numerous examples of successful ways to integrate security measures, as well as other structural and code requirements, within historic civic buildings, including federal buildings in Washington DC and state capitols across the country. Rather than assume that this would not be possible here, the Hawai'i Legislature should embrace the opportunity to both protecting the public and users at the Capitol, and protecting its historic significance.

In that endeavor, the State Historic Preservation Division offers technical assistance and subject matter expertise. SHPD's participation should be integrated with the planning, design and implementation of security measures, not evaded or exempted.

Furthermore, the State does not have the authority to waive or exempt Federal requirements, nor does DLNR/SHPD have the authority to waive State requirements.

Therefore, HHF recommends that SB 3011 be amended to delete Section 1(b) referring the historic preservation exemptions. HHF recommends that a replacement section be included, directing SHPD to prioritize assisting DAGS and DPS to develop security measures that will be designed and implemented in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties to preserve character-defining features of this important historic property.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

February 8, 2018

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
Senate Committee on Government Operations

Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

Re: Senate Bill 3011 Relating to the State Capitol

Dear Chair Kim, Chair Nishihara and Members of the Committees

My name is Daniel Chun Government Affairs Commissioner of the American Institute of Architects Hawaii State Council (AIA) **OPPOSING** SB 3011.

The bill would dramatically and negatively change both the appearance and welcoming atmosphere of the Capitol Rotunda and grounds. Hawaii's Capitol is among the most unique of the 50 states in that the Rotunda is open to the sky, the breezes and the general public at all hours of the day.

While Iolani Palace is fenced, that historic complex is symbolic of a more closed monarchical system of government now discarded. The bill proposes to do the same to the current symbol of modern open government.

Over the decades since its completion in 1969, AIA has successfully **OPPOSED** attempts to fill in the reflecting pool. Thank you for this opportunity to **OPPOSE** Senate Bill 3011.

SB-3011

Submitted on: 1/31/2018 7:24:37 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| De MONT R. D. CONNER | Ho'omanapono Political Action Committee (HPAC) | Oppose | Yes |

Comments:

We STRONGLY OPPOSE this DRACONIAN BILL! This is Hawai'i, the land of Aloha! The land that WELCOMED WITH OPEN ARMS EVERY RACE, COLOR & CREED. While America only gave lip service to "All men were created equal", the Kingdom of Hawai'i welcomed everyone. Today, our highest leadership in our State, the Governors' office, the Attorney General & distinguished members of this August body has stood up to the "Bully-in-Chief" of the White House & declared that Hawai'i is a sanctuary State.

As a State certified tour guide, it was an honor to bring our visitors into the Capitol to meet with random legislators. I was even able to take visitors to City Hall, where they met the Mayor & Calvin Say, the night Mayor Caldwell invited me to be an honored guest for the advocacy I do on the Westside. Our guest were amazed that we have direct access to our leaders & policy makers, some thing they don't have on the continent.

Now, living up to his newly acquired title of being a "Tyrant", Speaker is attempting to institute a climate of fear & distrust of the citizenry, by locking down the Capitol. Further, where is the compassion for our KÅ«puna who are able to utilize the Handicap parking downstairs, now we will have to park much farther away, so the little "tyrant" can feel safe & secure. This bill is anti-Aloha Spirit, goes against who we are as a collective people who embrace the Spirit of Aloha.

Therefore, we humbly request that this committee defer this bill. Mahalo.

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Senator Clarence Nishihara, Chair

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair

Thursday, February 8, 2018

2:45 pm

Room 224

STRONG OPPOSITION TO SB 3011 - CHILLING DEMOCRACY

Aloha Chairs Kim and Nishihara, Vice Chairs Ruderman and Wakai and Members of the Committees!

My name is Kat Brady and I am the Coordinator of Community Alliance on Prisons, a community initiative promoting smart justice policies in Hawai'i for more than two decades. This testimony is respectfully offered on behalf of the approximately 5,500 Hawai'i individuals living behind bars or under the "care and custody" of the Department of Public Safety on any given day. We are always mindful that approximately 1,600 of Hawai'i's imprisoned people are serving their sentences abroad thousands of miles away from their loved ones, their homes and, for the disproportionate number of incarcerated Kanaka Maoli, far, far from their ancestral lands.

SB 3011 directs DAGS to work with PSD and others to plan and implement security improvements at the state capitol. It requires DAGS to reassign use of certain parking stalls within the state capitol area and appropriates funds to DAGS and PSD.

Community Alliance on Prisons is shocked by this bill. The Capitol building has always been called "*The People's Building*", yet this bill seeks to keep the people out, or at least to make it more difficult for the public to exercise democracy.

What is going on? The public has been limited to 2 minutes to present our thoughts and suggestions on potential policies - and we do so in a void since the testimony is not available until after the hearing. Now this bill seeks to make *The People's Building* a fortress. What happened to democracy? Doesn't a vital democracy depend upon the participation of an informed citizenry? Doesn't an informed citizenry need access?

There are some things going on in Hawai`i now that are frighteningly similar to the Trump administration. In order to chill public dissent, the Governor's budget asks for \$2.5 million in case of violent protests (that have not happened in Hawai`i).

Now this bill seeks to basically bar the doors. This is a direct assault on democracy!

Section 2 of the bill reads: ***“No later than October 31, 2018, the department of accounting and general services shall remove all parking meters from the state capitol parking facility. The affected parking stalls shall be allocated among the governor, lieutenant governor, senate, house of representatives, and legislative reference bureau on a pro rata basis and made available to state employees whose place of employment is the state capitol and who meet the qualifications of their respective employer's parking policies. To offset the loss of metered parking stalls in the state capitol, the department of accounting and general services may establish and maintain additional public metered parking stalls available in the Kinau Hale parking lot and the state parking garage located at 301 South Vineyard Street.”***

This bill sends a strong message to the community. Democracy is only open to those who can afford

- to take the day off work
- to sit for hours in a hearing waiting to give 2-minute testimony
- to pay for parking in the downtown area

It looks like the plan is for *The People's Building* to become a fortress behind barricades and fences. What is next? A sign reading: GOVERNMENT PROPERTY – NO PUBLIC ACCESS ALLOWED.

Community Alliance on Prisons respectfully reminds the legislature and this administration that a vibrant democracy demands public participation. WE ARE THE GOVERNMENT. As Abraham Lincoln said, *“Government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the Earth.”*

Where you see wrong or inequality or injustice, speak out, because this is your country.

This is your democracy. Make it. Protect it. Pass it on.

Thurgood Marshall

**Chairs Kim and Nishihara
Vice Chairs Ruderman and Wakai
Senate Committee on Government Operations
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs**

**February 8, 2018
2:45 PM**

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION OF SB3011 RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL

Dear Chairs Kim and Nishihara, Vice Chairs Ruderman and Wakai, Members of the Committees,

My name is Jun Shin and I am a board member at-large for Young Progressives Demanding Action – Hawaii (YPDA Hawaii). I am testifying in opposition to SB3011, which is due for a hearing on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 2:45 PM.

As a young first time advocate, going to the Capitol has been an amazing experience. You can just walk in, take the elevator and easily access your elected representative’s office if you have an issue that you are passionate about or if you just want to chat. Activists can even come and gather at the rotunda and express themselves, in the form of art, rallies, and protests and make their voices heard to their government. On other days, you can just come by and explore the different aspects of the Capitol, go to the snack shop, and just admire the architecture. The access an individual member of the public has to their Capitol in Hawaii is seriously amazing and it should be modeled across the country by the various legislatures.

By fencing the Capitol or by placing other sorts of barriers, and by restricting access to the rotunda and other public areas such as the parking under the capitol through methods like having private security man the areas, we really hurt democracy. If our Capitol is suddenly restricted like this, then the people no longer really have the right to come to their Capitol and make their voices heard and if they try, they would have to face down barriers and private security as though they were an invading force.

Hawaii is a state that has accomplished many things, and places like the Hawaii State Capitol have been witnesses to the history, such as the fight for Marriage Equality when activists fighting for equality came to stand up for love and eventually celebrate the victory of love and when the tons of people and organizations who participated in the Women’s March in Hawaii gathered at the Capitol to make their voices heard in solidarity with so many amazing people and organizations, affirming their fight for women’s rights in all aspects and I don’t want to lose the role the Capitol played in this as a gathering spot for the people of Hawaii seeking change .

We cannot go backwards, not now and not ever and if we truly want more people to participate, from young people like me, to Kupuna who have never found themselves participating in civic life, we have to continue to make our Capitol and government more accessible and more understandable so that we can continue to encourage active involvement. That is why, to continue to stand for the democratization of our government and our other institutions, I am asking you as the people’s representatives to oppose this bill.

Thank you for your hard work and deliberation on this,

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SB-3011

Submitted on: 1/31/2018 2:45:28 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Louise Storm | | Comments | No |

Comments:

On many occasions, I have heard that the reason state government takes so long to get things done is because of the bottleneck in DAGS. Yet I learned when sitting in on an informational session in Rm 211 a week or two ago that DAGS is short staffed and was begging for funds to be released to fill positions that had already been approved in the budget.

Perhaps if DAGS had more positions filled their work flow would be more efficient and effective and there would be fewer situations in which time and energy is diverted to one project at the expense of other projects that have to wait longer because of the diversion.

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/2/2018 7:25:55 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Randy Ching | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

Chairs Kim and Nishihara, Vice Chairs Ruderman and Wakai, members of the committees,

SB3011 is a very bad idea. Please hold or defer this measure. Quoting from Henry Curtis:

The bills (HB2272 and SB3011) seek to separate the Governor from the people. The State Capitol would be patrolled by private personal serving as security guards to assist law enforcement in preventing unauthorized people from gaining access to the building. Fences and other security devices would be installed to prevent people from roaming the grounds.

The few limited public parking spaces in the underground parking lot would no longer be available to the public. In fact, the bill asserts that the spots would be removed by Halloween.

People with disabilities would presumably have to park further away and walk to the Capitol. The bill suggests additional spots may or may not be installed at the crowded Department of Health's Kinau Hale parking lot or a parking lot on South Vineyard Street.

People would be searched for weapons.

Please do not pass this bill. It is antithetical to democracy. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Randy Ching / Honolulu / makikirandy@yahoo.com

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/3/2018 8:53:00 AM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| janice palma-glennie | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

aloha, this bill will separate our elected leader (the governor) from the people in a way that will chill our democracy. ditto on other measures and bills aimed at providing "security" while actually crossing a perilous line that divides and provides unwarranted secrecy between the public, elect4ed officials and democracy.

mahalo.

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/3/2018 5:20:43 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| John Bickel | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

I oppose the provision of this bill which would reassign metered stalls for the public in the capitol. Don't make it more difficult for the public to have access to our government.

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/3/2018 10:02:49 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Kat Culina | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

And who, exactly, is profiting here? There are better ways to spend our money.

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/4/2018 10:05:21 AM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Javier Mendez-Alvarez | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/5/2018 10:37:50 AM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Lucia You | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/6/2018 8:53:01 AM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| cheryl | | Comments | No |

Comments:

It is always a good idea to review and analyze current procedures for all policies involving the public. My comments are directed towards the direction to which looking at the Capitol area safety may impact the ability of the people to access the building. While I understand that some of the legislators and employees may have some trepidation about the access of the public to the Capitol, it would be a serious infringement on the public to limit access in any way. If this bill is talking about basic ideas, like increasing the amount of time the sheriffs actually spend in the open court yard and walking the capitol then this may be a good thing. Yesterday, 2/5, was the first time in a long time I had seen anyone when at the capitol walking around. I believe that the open door policy at the Capitol is one of the things that makes Hawai'i unique and allows people like myself to be able to feel comfortable sharing our ideas with the legislative representatives. While I understand the world is changing, I hope that your considerations will not lead to a total shutdown of access, filled with security stations and guards. The Capitol is a place of pride. So many tourists and locals visit and share this area. Whatever, thoughts are presented, the public should have a high priority. It is after all their place ?

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/6/2018 5:15:50 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Teri Heede | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

It's hard enough to find parking already. This is just another way to inhibit the public's participation by eliminating all the meters.

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/7/2018 12:17:48 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Patricia Blair | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/7/2018 12:47:08 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| Shannon Rudolph | | Oppose | No |

Comments:

STRONGLY OPPOSE!!!

SB-3011

Submitted on: 2/7/2018 1:05:46 PM

Testimony for GVO on 2/8/2018 2:45:00 PM

| Submitted By | Organization | Testifier Position | Present at Hearing |
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| christine trecker | | Comments | No |

Comments:

While I support the intent of SB3011 to make necessary security improvements at the capitol, I am greatly concerned that it may create barriers to citizen participation in the legislative process.

I urge you to revise the language of SB3011 to reflect that the DAGS is **required** to establish additional public parking spaces to replace all parking spaces lost as part of the security improvements made at the capitol.

Citizen participation in government is vital to our democracy. We need to actively insure that barriers to participation (e.g. not being able to find parking at the capitol) are addressed and eliminated.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.