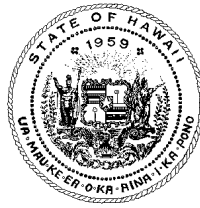


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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 456
RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY

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House Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, and Military Affairs
Representative Gregg Takayama, Chair
Representative Cedric Asuega Gates, Vice Chair

Wednesday, February 6, 2019; 10:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 430

Chair Takayama, Vice Chair Gates, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports the intent of House Bill (HB) 456, which requires training, certification, and related records management and equipment for non-lethal use of force by deputy sheriffs and appropriates funds, and offers comments.

PSD understands the importance of nonlethal use of force training and equipment, and appreciates the proposed appropriation of funds. The department, however, believes that initial and annual training requirements should be specified in department policies and procedures, as opposed to rules adopted pursuant to Chapter 91 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

PSD would recommend deleting Section 2, page 2, line 4 through page 4, line 18. Instead, the Department of Public Safety shall develop policies and procedures to govern the use of force, including training and equipment. PSD notes that pursuant to Act 220, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, the Law Enforcement Standards Board will also consider minimum standards and training for law enforcement officers.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

HB-456

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