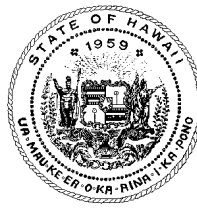


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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 595
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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

Tuesday, January 29, 2019; 1:15 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) appreciates and supports the appropriation of funding provided in Senate Bill (SB) 595, including the increased support for Medicaid and Pharmacy expenses, continued out-of-state housing for the 248 Halawa Correctional Facility inmates during construction of security upgrades, additional Deputy Sheriff positions, and permanent positions and funding for the Farm Managers at the Waiawa and Kulani Correctional Facilities. PSD notes that the other line items in the bill have already been funded through Act 53, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018.

SB 595 will serve to address the provision of needed funding for the above-mentioned items.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

SB-595

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Comments: January 28, 2019 The UPW strongly supports SB595 which appropriates funds for PSD operating expenses. Thank you.