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TESTIMONY
OF
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TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT
AND
THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
ON
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2019, 2:00 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 325, STATE CAPITOL

HB 1488

APPROPRIATES FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES FOR THE PLANNING AND DESIGN OF ENHANCED SECURITY MEASURES AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND THE SURROUNDING CAPITOL DISTRICT.

Chairs Cullen, Lee, Vice Chairs Nakashima, San Buenaventura, and Members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 1488.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent of the bill, to enhance security measures at the State Capitol and the surrounding Capitol District and offers the following comment for the committees' consideration.

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) is the State's Subject Matter Expert for security issues, and the DAGS does not have staff possessing expertise in the area of security. The DAGS would assist the DPS with hiring and coordinating with consultants to design and contractors to perform any required construction to implement any measures. Also, any staff required to perform the operations of any of the implemented measures (staffing metal detectors, screening stations, vehicle entrances, etc.) would be best supplied by the DPS.

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

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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committees on
LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT
and
JUDICIARY**

**Tuesday, February 12, 2019
2:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325**

**In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 1488
RELATING TO RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL**

House Bill 1488 proposes to direct the Department of Accounting and General Services in consultation with the Legislature and agencies responsible for security at the State Capitol and Washington Place to develop short- and long-term security measures to protect public safety while also preserving, to the extent possible, public access to the Capitol. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) offers comments and recommends an amendment.**

It is a sad commentary on our times that even in Hawaii it seems necessary to make plans to address potential security issues in important public places. That said, the Department appreciates the fact that House Bill 1488 expressly notes the historical significance of the State Capitol and of Washington Place. The Capitol is a contributing building the Hawaii Capitol Historic District listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Washington Place is individually designated as a National Historic Landmark, the highest designation for a historic place in the United States, recognizing it as a place of great significance in the history of the entire United States.

Given the historic significance of these buildings, the Department recommends that House Bill 1488 be amended to specify that the State Historic Preservation Division be one of the agencies that must be involved in development of the plans called for in House Bill 1488. To ensure that the group developing these plans has access to the expertise necessary to preserve the iconic, historic

character of these buildings and surrounds, the Department suggests that House Bill 1488, page 2, lines 9 & 10 be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 2. The department of accounting and general services, in consultation with the legislature, state historic preservation division, and any agencies ...

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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COMMENTS ON HB 1310 AND HB 1488, RELATING TO THE STATE CAPITOL

**Submitted to the
House Committee on Legislative Management and the House Committee on Judiciary
2 PM, February 12, 2019 Hearing in Conference Room 325**

Do you really want to harass everyone who visits our State Capitol? Why isn't it sufficient to hire and appropriately, conspicuously deploy security personnel who can rapidly respond to incidents?



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