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February 27, 2020

The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
and Members
Committee on Ways and Means
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 211
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 2406, SD1, Relating to Explosion Detection Technology

I am Gerald Kaneshiro, Major of the Communications Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports the intent of Senate Bill No. 2406, SD1, Relating to Explosion Detection Technology, with concerns.

There are many companies that have similar explosion detection technology products on the market and it will take time to research a suitable one for the HPD. The HPD will need to determine if such a system would be feasible to its operations. Other stakeholders, such as the City's Department of the Prosecuting Attorney and the Hawaii State Department of the Attorney General, will need to be consulted to determine how the system will be used for criminal investigations and prosecution. In addition, the time frame to purchase and train police officers to use such a system is not reasonable, as the HPD needs to abide by the City and County of Honolulu's procurement process. Further, the county of Oahu is not listed in the bill to receive grant-in-aid funding to purchase the technology.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

APPROVED:

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Susan Ballard
Chief of Police

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Gerald Kaneshiro in black ink.
Gerald Kaneshiro, Major
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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