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S.B. 1305
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES

Chairs Moriwaki and Lee, Vice Chairs Dela Cruz and Inouye and members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.B. 1305.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) appreciates the intent and provides comments on S.B. 1305 which proposes that:

(4) Establish and manage motor pools and automotive support for work-related employee travel, including a program whereby state employee may drive the employee's personal vehicle to conduct official business and be compensated for cost based on mileage: provided that the department shall encourage the use of mileage compensation with the goal of minimizing the size of motor pools.

The DAGS motor pool program has about 435 vehicles available for use by various State Departments such as the Department of Health, Human Services and Judiciary. The State of Hawaii as a whole has about 5000 vehicles owned and operated by various State Agencies which operates their own motor pool and fleets. Currently, State employees who utilize their personal

vehicles through their various Bargaining Unit Contracts are reimbursed at the standard mileage rate prescribed by the Internal Revenue Service for each mile traveled for business purposes.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter