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## WRITTEN TESTIMONY

OF

## KEITH A. REGAN, COMPTROLLER DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO THE COMMITTEE ON

## **GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**

MARCH 20, 2024, 3:00 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 225 AND VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE, STATE CAPITOL

S.C.R. 239 / S.R. 215

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO PROVIDE UNIVERSAL CHANGING ACCOMMODATIONS IN ALL STATE FACILITIES, STATE PARKS, AND CITY AND COUNTY PARKS.

Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Gabbard, and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit **comments** on S.C.R 239 and S.R. 215 which requests the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS), the Department of Land and Natural Resources, and the City and County of Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation to provide universal changing accommodations in all State facilities, State parks, and City and County parks.

DAGS requests that "where feasible and cost effective" and "this SCR should refer to the 2024 International Building Code or most up to date version which would include requirements on adult changing stations", be inserted for State and County

facilities implementation. The addition of this amendment allows agencies to benefit from accepted guidelines regarding this accommodation, reasonably install universal changing accommodations in existing facilities and redesign projects already in process to meet this request.

DAGS also notes that it manages a relatively small portion of the state's building inventory, and that it therefore may be useful to clarify that DAGS will be responsible for providing universal changing accommodations for the facilities which are designed, constructed, and/or managed by DAGS, as well as coordinating with other state CIP agencies to assure those agencies provide the accommodations in the buildings designed, constructed, and/or managed by those agencies.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on this measure.