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S.B. 2866 S. D. 1

RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

Chair Matayoshi, Vice Chair Garrett, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on S.B. 2866 S. D. 1.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) **supports** S. B. 2866 S. D. 1, which requires governmental bodies of the executive branch of the State to develop an online project management platform by a certain date. DAGS is supportive of governmental transparency and accountability to the public.

Capital improvement projects (CIPs) are construction projects that provide improvements or additions to land, buildings, and infrastructure. CIPs are typically large and expensive; the public should have the ability to review information on pending and completed projects. Professional project managers are required to coordinate the completion of CIPs on time, within budget, and within scope. It is in the State's best

interest to hire professional project managers to manage CIPs as well as maintain an online project management platform. Funds would be required to develop the online project management platform and hire professional project managers. For an online project management platform for the Public Works Division at DAGS, an estimate of \$2 Million would be required during the first year to design a system and to migrate data followed by a yearly cost of about \$800,000, as long as it does not adversely impact priorities identified in the executive supplemental budget request for FY 2025.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.