



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
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DAVID Y. IGE  
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Testimony of **Ford Fuchigami**  
Administrative Director, Office of the Governor

Before the  
**Senate Committee on Government Operations**  
January 29, 2018  
2:45 p.m., Conference Room 414

In consideration of  
**Senate Bill No. 500**  
**RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

Chair Thielen, Vice Chair Inouye, and committee members:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on **House Bill 500** which expands the duties and responsibilities of the Lieutenant Governor to manage and oversee public tours of the state capitol, manage vacancies on boards and commissions, process applications to serve on boards and commissions, and any other applicable administrative duties.

Currently, the Office of the Governor holds these responsibilities in Hawai'i as well as the governor's offices of the other forty-nine states. Boards and commissions play an integral role in shaping policy for Hawai'i. As the policy lead for the Executive Branch, the Governor should continue to oversee the boards and commission's process to align nominees with the Governor's vision and initiatives. Boards such as the Hawai'i Tourism Authority and the Board of Education set policy that impact our largest economic driver and the future of our keiki.

The Governor and the Lieutenant Governor are currently working together on a strategy for how to collaborate more effectively. The Lieutenant Governor attends weekly Cabinet meetings to address policy matters, that can include nominees for boards and commissions. The Governor appreciates Lieutenant Governor Green taking on chronic homelessness, opioid addiction and addressing doctor shortages.

We appreciate your attention and will be available to answer your questions, should you have any at this time.



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Thank you for the opportunity to provide **COMMENTS** on **Senate Bill 500**.

The Lieutenant Governor's office is currently working closely with the Governor's office to coordinate and collaborate rolls most effectively. We are open to discussions with Governor Ige regarding taking on some or all of the responsibilities SB 500 designates to the Lieutenant Governor's office, and we will default to his position and judgment on these matters.

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