

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

MAY 24, 1999

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 921

Honorable Members
Twentieth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 921, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to District Court."

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 921 is to amend section 291D-10, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to create a procedure for the issuance of penal summons and bench warrants when any person fails to pay a monetary assessment for a traffic violation. Senate Bill No. 921, however, imposes a process prior to referral to the Department of the Attorney General for collection that is unnecessary, because the monetary assessments have already been reduced to judgment. Furthermore, this bill will disrupt the collection procedures already established between the Judiciary and the Department of the Attorney General, which have been very successful, and will require additional resources to implement, because additional hearings will be required. Without this bill, post-judgment remedies can be utilized and recovery of the monetary assessments can occur earlier and at less cost.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning Senate Bill No. 921 without my approval.

Respectfully,



BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii

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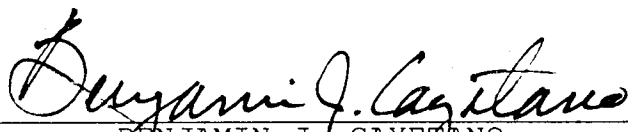
WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of his plan to return with his objections any bill presented to him less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to him after adjournment sine die of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 921, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to District Court," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 921 is unacceptable to the Governor of the State of Hawaii;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO, Governor of the State of Hawaii, do hereby issue this proclamation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, giving notice of my plan to return Senate Bill No. 921 with my objections thereon to the Legislature as provided by said Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution.

DONE at the State Capitol, Honolulu,
State of Hawaii, this 24th
day of May, 1999.


BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii