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TESTIMONY

OF

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TO THE

HOUSE COMMITTEE

ON

PUBLIC SAFETY & MILITARY AFFAIRS

ON

March 13, 2008

S.B. 2258, S.D. 1

RELATING TO THE WIRELESS ENHANCED 911 BOARD

Chair Evans and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.B. 2258, S.D. 1.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports S.B. 2258, S.D. 1, in its current form.

DAGS recommended that S.B. 2258 be modified to eliminate the identification of the board members (egs. three wireless carrier representatives and three PSAP representatives) that are required to constitute a quorum. The bill now sanctions the simple presence of any six of the eleven board members to constitute a quorum. This is reasonable.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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The Honorable Cindy Evans, Chair and Members Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs House of Representatives State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Evans and Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. 2258, S.D. 1, Relating to the Wireless Enhanced 9-1-1 Board

I am Kenneth Simmons, Major of the Communications Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports Senate Bill No. 2258, S.D. 1. This bill would clarify that any six members present may constitute a quorum. We believe that this proposed change will allow the board to continue functioning efficiently and making decisions on a monthly basis.

Therefore, we are requesting that your committee pass Senate Bill No. 2258, S.D. 1.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely.

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APPROVED:

Chief of Police