## STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

## TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 954 A BILL FOR RELATING TO A MAJOR DISASTER RESERVE TRUST FUND

## **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

BY

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Chair Oshiro and Committee Members:

I am Major General Bob Lee, Director of Civil Defense, State Department of Defense. I am providing testimony on House Bill 954 which creates a major disaster reserve trust fund for the purpose of holding federal fund reimbursements that will not be subject to lapsing.

Although the proposed bill could provide the Department of Defense an improved funding capability to respond and to recover from emergencies and disasters, we defer to the Department of Budget and Finance for recommendations.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed bill.