## STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

## TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 1213 A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL RELIEF FOR MILITARY RESERVE COMPONENT PERSONNEL

## PRESENTATION TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

BY

## MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT G. F. LEE ADJUTANT GENERAL February 10, 2009

Chair Espero, Vice-Chair Bunda, and Members of the Committee:

I am Major General Robert G. F. Lee, State Adjutant General. I am testifying on Senate Bill 1213.

We support Senate Bill 1213, as it provides relief by extending any proceeding of a lien or foreclosure against a reservist or national guardsmen until one year after their redeployment from active duty. Passage of this measure will provide our citizen soldiers, airmen, sailors and marines some time to take appropriate and corrective actions to resolve these situations.

Positive action on Senate Bill 1213 would strongly indicate to the members of the Guard and reserves that are currently deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan that Hawaii truly cares and supports their duty to State and nation.

Chair Espero, thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony. Are there any questions?