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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & MILITARY AFFAIRS

## TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION REGARDING SB 655 RELATING TO CONVEYANCE TAX

TESTIFIER:

FREDERICK D. PABLO, INTERIM DIRECTOR OF

**TAXATION (OR DESIGNEE)** 

COMMITTEE:

**PGM** 

DATE:

**FEBRUARY 12, 2011** 

TIME:

9AM

POSITION:

SUPPORT INTENT; REQUEST DELAY

This bill requires the director of taxation to provide the administrator of each county's real property assessment division with an image of all certificates of conveyances filed with the bureau of conveyances.

The Department <u>supports the intent</u> of this legislation; however <u>requests that this measure be delayed</u> so that the Department may incorporate policies such as this in its overall modernization efforts.

The Department lauds efforts such as this measure; however would prefer to implement this policy as part of a comprehensive modernization strategy. This strategy will take considerable time in connection with other streamlining and computerized enhancements. Currently, the Department is evaluating this and other modernization opportunities to make administration of Hawaii taxes more efficient.