# **SB 9**

## RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

Requires and sets a deadline for the department of public safety to pursue and obtain accreditation for the sheriff division from the Commission on Accreditation for law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR



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## TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 9 RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY

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Jodie F. Maesaka-Hirata, Interim Director Department of Public Safety

Senate on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs Senator Will Espero, Chair Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

Tuesday, February 15, 2011; 2:45 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 224

Senator Espero, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports the intent of Senate Bill 9. This bill requires PSD to pursue and obtain accreditation for the Sheriff Division from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. We agree that the goal of obtaining accreditation will, as the State Auditor recommended, help ensure that proper law enforcement standards are met.

Due to the cost implications of the accreditation process as well as the cost associated with implementing changes that will be required to met those standards, PSD requests that this measure be held, and the accreditation be pursued at a later time.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this matter.

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Thursday, February 10, 2011 4:36 PM

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Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: Yes

Submitted by: Lt. Michael Oakland

Organization: Hawaii State Sheriff's Division

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Phone: (808) 836-6466

E-mail: michael.s.oakland@hawaii.gov

Submitted on: 2/10/2011

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Espero, Vice Chair Kidani and members of the committee. I am Lt. Michael Oakland of the State Sheriff Division and I am writting in SUPPORT of this bill and it's intent. I think that the legislature can require the Sheriff Division to be CALEA compliant in all of their policies so that we are current, and to start opperating under those policies until such time as the state's budget woes get better and then we can re-visit the official certification as it will take money. Just being compliant in our policies which tells us how to opperate will provide significant improvements with no expense. Again, until the economy gets well enough to go all the way with the full CALEA certification. If there are any questions I am available to answer and assist in any way. Mahalo Nui Loa for this opportunity to testify.

### Lt. Michael Oakland, Commander

Airport Patrol Section, Sheriff Division Honolulu International Airport, Kalaeloa and Dillingham Air Fields

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Sunday, February 13, 2011 7:10 PM

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Chad Watarida
Organization: Sheriff Division

Address: Phone:

E-mail: cwatarida@hotmail.com

Submitted on: 2/13/2011

#### Comments:

I am in support of SB9. This would help advance the Sheriff Division into a legitimate law enforcement agency. Accreditation would help ensure the division meets requirements to better serve the public.

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Thursday, February 10, 2011 7:46 PM

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Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Sgt. Colin Kalama-Malani

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: Colin.K.Malani@Hawaii.Gov

Submitted on: 2/10/2011

#### Comments:

Aloha, I'm a Sergeant/Deputy Sheriff III, for 30 years, currently at the HIA since 1999, a widower, a father of (3), grandfather of (3), I testified in 1987 before Senator Mike Croziers hearing for Act 211, then a Housekeeping measure to include the Sheriff's in the newly proposed Dept. of Public Safety, we were absorbed in July of 1990, the Corrections half of PSD had already formulated the initial infrastructure to control our budget and asset forfeiture monies, to attempt to attain our police powers and reliquish our name & amp; title(s) of & quot; Sheriff, Deputy Sheriff" were in jeopardy before Senator's & amp; Reps of being lost forever, I testified again on the Historical aspects, merits and retention of our positions to not become & quot; Special Services Deputies. & quot; As other LE Positions Nationwide, Marshals, Police, Sheriff's, have clear and distinct duties which require proper collective bargaining representation. To include all state LE units ie; AG's, DLNR, Harbors, NED, Sheriff's, etc., is essential for consolidation of jurisdictional powers, defined authority & amp; budget, training & amp; accredidation, sustained mission with short & amp; long term goals & amp; objectives in concert with the 2009-2010 PSD Audit. We are again at a critical juncture in our quest for survival and recognition in accordance with our profession, job and classification. Our current need for redress & amp; grievances begs your support of this legislative Senate Bill #9, mahalo

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Thursday, February 10, 2011 4:31 PM

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Charles Hartman
Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: mrcrhartman@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 2/10/2011

#### Comments:

The State Policing agencies, particularly the Sheriffs, are now tasked with the same police duties as the County Police. Establishing the highest professional standard is a necessity for the safety of the Deputies and the public.

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Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: James Nakamura

Organization: Individual

Address: 438 Kamakee st #140 Honolulu, HI

Phone: 808-836-6606

E-mail: james.r.nakamura@hawaii.gov

Submitted on: 2/10/2011

Comments:

Accrediation will add legitimacy to the department.

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Thursday, February 10, 2011 1:25 PM PGM Testimony

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Janet Draper
Organization: Individual

Address: 1124 kenui circle Lahaina

Phone: 80866112986

E-mail: <u>mauijazz@yahoo.com</u> Submitted on: 2/10/2011

#### Comments:

WE HAVE WORKED FOR THESE BENEFITS.

WE SEE THIS AS COMPENSATION FOR OUR LOW SALARIES.

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Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Edward Stankos

Organization: Individual

Address: Ala Ilima Street Honolulu, HI

Phone: (808)389-7246

E-mail: <u>estankos@yahoo.com</u> Submitted on: 2/10/2011

#### Comments:

I respectfully submit this statement in total support of SB9. The State of Hawaii needs proffesional, certified Law Enforcement Officers. This bill would require the Department of Public Safety to modernize its Law Enforcement policy, procedures, and training to CALEA standards. Even If the state cannot afford to have the CALEA organization come down and certify the state law enforcment community, the departments should be mandated to be up to par with CALEA standards. In order for the State of Hawaii to have a credible and respected training background. Please help make State Law Enforcement a shining, professional entity. Mahalo

Sent:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Friday, February 11, 2011 12:20 PM

To: Cc: **PGM Testimony** mauinezy@aol.com

Subject:

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Shannon Nesbitt

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: mauinezy@aol.com Submitted on: 2/11/2011

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Saturday, February 12, 2011 7:22 AM Sent:

PGM Testimony To: mokiao@yahoo.com Cc:

Testimony for SB9 on 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM Subject:

## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Matthew Mokiao

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: mokiao@yahoo.com Submitted on: 2/12/2011

Sent:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Saturday, February 12, 2011 7:16 AM PGM Testinony

To:

Cc:

cwestbrook4@triad.rr.com

Subject:

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Charles Westbrook

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: <a href="mailto:cwestbrook4@triad.rr.com">cwestbrook4@triad.rr.com</a>

Submitted on: 2/12/2011

Sent:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Friday, February 11, 2011 1:09 PM

To:

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Cc:

leuna874@hotmail.com

Subject:

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Alan Leung Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: leuna874@hotmail.com Submitted on: 2/11/2011

### Comments:

I am a deputy Sheriff and we're in urgent need for training to upkeep our skills to minimize liability, injury, or lawsuit.

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Friday, February 11, 2011 1:45 PM

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gnaka88@hawaiiantel.net

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Gertrude Nakamura

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

Pnone:

E-mail: gnaka88@hawaiiantel.net

Submitted on: 2/11/2011

### Comments:

I strlongly support SB1522 and am speaking up for these animals that cannot voice their concerns and comments themselves.

Sent:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Saturday, February 12, 2011 10:53 AM

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: David L Wilson Jr

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: dwilsonjr@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 2/12/2011

Sent:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Saturday, February 12, 2011 12:47 PM

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Tony Williams Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: twilliams6969@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 2/12/2011

### Comments:

I am a Deputy Sheriff for 3 years and with the state department for a total of 11 years and I am in support of this bill

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov

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Monday, February 14, 2011 6:48 AM

To:

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thomas.cayetano@leo.gov

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Thomas K Cayetano

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: thomas.cayetano@leo.gov

Submitted on: 2/14/2011

#### Comments:

Greetings Committee Members,

I am a State Deputy Sheriff whom feels CALEA will bring forth the needed standards to the Sheriff's Office. I fully support the bills intent. Thank you for your consideration.

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Monday, February 14, 2011 2:59 PM

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Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Deputy Sheriff Michael R. Hartsock

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: mrhartsock@hotmail.com

Submitted on: 2/14/2011

#### Comments:

Members of the committee I would like to express my stong support of SB9. I beleive that by forcing PSD, Sheriff Division to attain CALEA accreditation will make for a safer workplace for all deputies and a safer community for the citizens of the State of Hawaii.

Thank you for addressing these issues.

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Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: ANN JONES
Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: <u>AJONES4414@aol.com</u> Submitted on: 2/14/2011

### Comments:

I urge your support and passage of this bill to provide our State Sheriff's division the funding, support and recognition needed to keep our communities safe.

Sent:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Monday, February 14, 2011 9:15 AM

To:

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Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Jennifer J. Rathjen

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: jrathjen@hawaii.rr.com Submitted on: 2/14/2011

### Comments:

Please support our chiropractic health professionals. Thank you for listening to the people of Hawaii.

Sent:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Monday, February 14, 2011 9:42 AM

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PWL962@hotmail.com

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224 Testifier position: support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Patrick Lee Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: PWL962@hotmail.com Submitted on: 2/14/2011

### Comments:

I am currently employed as a Sheriff Lieutenant. I have been with the department for 21 years. I support this measure

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Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: James E. Barnes III

Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: j.e.barnesiii@gmail.com Submitted on: 2/14/2011

### Comments:

I am a Deputy Sheriff for 10 years and I am in support of this bill.

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Conference room: 224
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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Shane C. Souza
Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: Shane.Souza@usdoj.gov

Submitted on: 2/14/2011

#### Comments:

I am a Deputy Sheriff for 10 years and I am in support of this bill.

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Monday, February 14, 2011 3:51 PM

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## Testimony for PGM 2/15/2011 2:45:00 PM SB9

Conference room: 224
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Sean Springer
Organization: Individual

Address: Phone:

E-mail: <u>nanea99@hotmail.com</u> Submitted on: 2/14/2011

## TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 9 RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY

Senate on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs Senator Wil Espero, Chair

Tuesday, February 15, 2011; 2:45 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 224

Senator Espero and Members of the Committee:

I support the intent of SB 9. This bill requires the Department to pursue and obtain accreditation for the sheriff division from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA), Inc. Obtaining accreditation will, as the State Auditor recommended, help ensure that proper law enforcement standards are met.

Meeting CALEA accreditation involves not only the Sheriff Division, but also many other functions within the Department. Fiscal, Personnel Recruitment, and Training that must also meet CALEA standards to obtain accreditation. Under the current organizational structure of the Department of Public Safety, I do not believe that accreditation can be obtained for just the Sheriff Division. It would also include the Department of Public Safety's Administrative divisions.

I recommend that this measure be deferred and the goal of CALEA accreditation be pursued as part of SB 11, which would separate the Sheriff Division from the Department of Public Safety and create a new Department of the Sheriff.

As my testimony maybe contrary to the Department of Public Safety's position, I am presenting my testimony as a private individual and not as an official representative of the department. Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this important matter.

Robin Nagamine, Lieutenant Sheriff Division Monday, February 14, 2011

To the Senate Committees of Public Safety, Government Operations, Military Affairs and the Judiciary and Labor:

I am writing in SUPPORT of Senate bills 9, 10, 11 and 1065.

The law enforcement officers of the Sheriff Division face the challenging tasks of preserving public peace and safety, preventing crime, detecting and arresting offenders of the law and protecting citizen rights and property by enforcing laws. There is nothing simple or easy about fulfilling any one aspect of their daily work. As a tax paying citizen and informed voter, it is my civic duty and responsibility to **demand** support for the people who are willing to risk their lives (both ON and OFF duty) for my safety and that of my family and my community, and also the safety of our Governor and Judges.

The Division deserves the financial, capital and legal support of our State government. Our tax dollars should provide the equipment, training, and legal defense for our law enforcement officers for the reasons cited in this letter of support.

It is no secret that law enforcement costs money. Please support the brave men and women of the Sheriff's division to do their job well. As our elected leaders who pledge to "better our State," PLEASE think of the needs of law enforcement officers. They deserve funding for continued professional training, a more convenient and efficient receiving desk to process offenders, a better radio system, and a defense fund for any lawsuits that they are challenged with as a result of the commission of their daily duties. Please vote to support their work — they are professionals, not "warm bodies on the beat." Most people, legislators in particular, have not recognized the essential roles they played in the capture and prosecution of the copper thieves, which saved taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars in court costs because of the excellent case built against the offenders. They have EARNED RESULTS in their work with interagency investigations; arresting and retrieving suspects in several heinous crimes and/or crime organizations. They have supported and assisted other law enforcement — FBI, CIA, US Marshals, Secret Service, DEA, DHS, HPD, etc. Please support their efforts by passing SB 9,10 and 11.

In regards to supporting SB 1065, please support the necessity (and the logic) for the creation of a Sheriff's division bargaining unit. Currently they are in the same unit as office and desk workers, teachers, professors and educational officers. Law enforcement, by the very nature of their work, should NOT be in the same bargaining unit as employees who do NOT risk their lives every day on the job. There is no logic, no sense of fairness or justice in that. They deserve their own bargaining unit that seeks to protect and represent the work that law enforcement personnel do for us. Please support SB 1065!

Thank you for considering this testimony. Although as a collective group you have discounted the need for prayer by dismissing it from guiding your actions as leaders of the People, this citizen will continue to pray for each of you. I pray that you will make decisions that will support those who provide us safety and accept the challenge of enforcing laws. I hope that each of you remember that our inalienable rights (life and liberty) are endowed by our Creator, NOT the government since government was created FOR the sole purpose of protecting those rights and defending us from foreign and domestic enemies. Please help our law enforcement officers DEFEND and protect our rights and property by supporting Senate bills 9, 10, 11 and 1065.

Respectfully submitted,

Christeana Jones (808) 284-3345 Honolulu, Hawaii

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Submitted on: 2/14/2011

#### Comments:

i would like our training Academy to be accredited. To show that we know what we are doing on the streets. And other states only take transfers from only accredited departments.