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March 28, 2012

The Honorable Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair and Members Committee on Finance House of Representatives State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Oshiro and Members:

Re: Senate Bill No. 2261 (HSCR 1269-12), Relating to the Weed and Seed Program

I am Major William Chur of District 5 (Kalihi) of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports Senate Bill No. 2261 (HSCR 1269-12). This bill establishes and provides funding for a Weed and Seed program within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

As a partner in the Weed and Seed program since its inception several years ago, the HPD recognizes the benefits of the program in reducing crime and improving the quality of life for people who live and work in the Weed and Seed designated communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

William R. Chur, Major

APPROVED:

LOUIS M. KEALOHA Chief of Police