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Galen Yoshimoto	Department of Defense	Support	Yes

Comments: Submitted in behalf of Maj Gen Darryll Wong

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LT COL DARRYL CHOY	HAWAII WING CIVIL AIR PATROL	Support	No

Comments: Comments: In strong support of HB1136, HD1. Civil Air Patrol volunteers have fully supported the State of Hawaii flying tsunami warning missions, providing aerial warning to swimmers, campers, residents in inundated tsunami areas in the last four recent tsunami warnings that Hawaii has experienced. They are a vital asset for the Hawaii State Disaster system. Plus, CAP provides training for the State DoD, flying single engine aircraft against F-22 aircraft, testing the Hawaii Air Defense radar system, and providing photographic assessment flights for the State DoD.

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# Presentation to: COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

# TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1136, HD1: RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL

# February 20, 2013, Conference Room 308

Good afternoon Chair Luke and members of the Committee. I am Lt. Col. Carswell Ross, a senior member of the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol, former Commander of the 66<sup>th</sup> Composite Squadron located at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii. I appreciate this opportunity to testify in **strong support** of House Bill 1136, HD1. The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to the Department of Defense for the Civil Air Patrol.

The appropriation from the state to the Hawaii Civil Air Patrol Wing, through the Department of Defense will benefit not only my Squadron but all CAP Squadrons statewide in our efforts to provide training in search and rescue activities, perform Tsunami warning missions for citizens of Hawaii, offer aerospace educations to the cadets, and demonstrate the meaning of community service. Please allow me to remind the committee that the CAP was called upon to provide warnings to Hawaii' citizens, who were unable to hear the Civil Defense sirens during our most resent Tsunami events. The CAP was able to provide pictures, in real time, of property damage. Upon the "all clear" the CAP assisted with damage assessment activities. CAP was able to perform these public service activities at minimal cost to the government primarily because we have pilots that are trained in performing the Tsunami mission. The funds provided to DOD will assure that Hawaii has trained pilots, observers and scanners who can respond to emergencies when call upon. In summation, teaching good citizenship and volunteerism to future leaders and providing tsunami warning services to Hawaii's residents is an appropriate use of these funds.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer my comments in strong support of HB 1136, HD1.

## l am testifying IN SUPPORT OF HB 1136, Relating to the Civil Air Patrol

I am the past Commander of the Kona Composite Squadron of the Hawaii Wing of Civil Air Patrol. We have 83 cadet and senior members in our squadron. Without adequate funds our unit must raise money by doing fundraisers to pay for our own training as well as maintaining our building and vehicles. We have not received direct funding from the State Legislature since 2003 or so, and with rising costs we are having a very difficult time maintaining our squadrons. This situation exists in all of our units across the state. The members of Civil Air Patrol have come to the support of the State Civil Defense every time there is any tsunami warning or major event. This requires funds to not only to fly during the actual emergency, but also when our flight crews must train to maintain their proficiency throughout the year.

I would appreciate your consideration to make an appropriation to the Civil Air Patrol this year so that we can maintain our readiness and spend more time training.

Thank you,

Paul W Rollman Jr. Past Commander Kona Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol Waikoloa, HI

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Colonel Stanley Y. Fernandez, Sr.	Civil Air Patroll, Hawaii Wing	Support	No	

Comments: In strong support of HB1136, HD1. Civil Air Patrol volunteers have fully supported the State of Hawaii flying tsunami warning missions, providing aerial warning to swimmers, campers, residents in inundated tsunami areas in the last four recent tsunami warnings that Hawaii has experienced. They are a vital asset for the Hawaii State Disaster system. Plus, CAP provides training for the State DoD, flying single engine aircraft against F-22 aircraft, testing the Hawaii Air Defense radar system, and providing photographic assessment flights for the State DoD.

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# Presentation to: COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1136, HD1 RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL

February 20, 2013 Conference Room 308

Good afternoon Chair Luke and members of the Committee. I am Lt Col. Robert J Becka, a senior member of Civil Air Patrol, Commander of Honolulu Flight, 419 Lele St, Honolulu, HI 96819. I appreciate this opportunity to testify in strong support of House Bill 1136, HD1. The purpose of this bill is to appropriate funds to the Department of Defense for the Civil Air Patrol.

The appropriation from the State to the Hawaii Wing will benefit not only my unit but all of Hawaii Wing. We are all volunteers that provide a vital service to the State of Hawaii. Recently, even though we were never officially called, but knew there was an enormous earthquake in the South Pacific that had the potential to generate a tsunami that could affect Hawaii, our unit within an hour of the quake had two confirmed crews ready to man the available aircraft assigned to our unit. Time and again, the only reward being the chance to help our community, volunteers such as myself stand ready and able to assist any time of day or night. The key to our success is to remain current, proficient, and in a mission ready status at all times. It is vital to have funding in order to be able to operate our aircraft to maintain this status. The return on investment is immeasurable, both in times spent training or conducting actual missions, to the training, leadership and mentoring we show towards our cadets and other senior members, the future leaders of our community and nation.

The funding we receive is money well spent, and is paid back in community support many times over.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer my comments in strong support of HB 1136, HD1.

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