

# The Judiciary, State of Hawai'i

**Testimony to the House Committee on Water & Land** Representative Ryan I. Yamane, Chair Representative Ty J. K. Cullen, Vice Chair

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### WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

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Bill No. and Title: House Bill No. 155, Relating to the Wailuku State Office Master Plan.

**Purpose:** Requires the Department of Accounting and General Services to develop a Wailuku state office master plan to address the shortage of space in the Wailuku State Office Building and Old Courthouse Building. Makes an appropriation.

## **Judiciary's Position:**

The Judiciary takes no position on House Bill No. 155. The bill identifies the Judiciary as an appropriate stakeholder with whom the Department of Accounting and General Services shall consult in developing a Wailuku State Office Master Plan. Having programs in leased space roughly totaling some 13,300 square feet, the Judiciary's Second Circuit, is currently facing space shortages in the Wailuku-Kahului area. To consolidate operations and accommodate projected growth through 2030, the Hawai'i Judiciary Facilities Master Plan recommends that 82,000 SF be added in the Wailuku-Kahului area. Hoapili Hale comprises approximately 80,000 SF. There, the Second Circuit is confronting mounting deferred maintenance needs, currently estimated at roughly \$30.5 million. Given these issues, the Judiciary would be open to participating in a discussion of a master state office plan for the area.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 155.

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### TESTIMONY OF DOUGLAS MURDOCK, COMPTROLLER DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND ON FEBRUARY 6, 2015

### H.B. 155

#### RELATING TO THE WAILUKU STATE OFFICE MASTER PLAN

Chair Yamane and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on H.B. 155.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent of H.B. 155, provided its passage allows the proposed actions to be incorporated into our existing program efforts and provided further, the measure does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Budget.

DAGS has implemented a three phase program to develop a statewide master plan for addressing the shortage of State managed office space within the DAGS jurisdiction, which is fully State CIP-funded. Work includes: verification of State office space needs in DAGSmanaged facilities and in DAGS-managed lease space; development and population of a new DAGS database system to record and track space authorizations, assignments, and leases; and development of area master plans to identify means and methods to reduce lease rents by

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR relocation of programs into DAGS-managed facilities, to optimize efficient use of space, and to optimize program operations.

Exploration of solutions currently includes consideration for renovation or demolition/redevelopment of existing DAGS-managed facilities, development of new facilities on existing State properties, or acquisition/renovation of existing commercial facilities.

The project phases are geographically based and prioritized to address the highest concentration of space shortfall first. Phase 1 encompasses the State Capital District. The study is 97% complete. Target completion is April 2015. Phase 2 expands the program to include outlying Oahu districts, and Phase 3 addresses the neighbor islands to complete the statewide effort by December 2016. Implementation of Phases 2 and 3 will be concurrent upon the completion of Phase 1. The Wailuku, Maui, district is included in Phase 3, and a separate, prioritized interim report can be generated for this target area.

DAGS also supports the appropriation of funds to supplement program efforts provided this does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Budget. The current program scope does not include complete canvassing of all lands and buildings adjacent to DAGS-managed facilities, nor does it include coordination with county agencies. The additional funding would help finance these efforts. DAGS anticipates that this expansion of scope can be implemented beginning January 2016.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.