## STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

## TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 746 HD1 A BILL RELATING TO CYBERSECURITY

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Chair Espero, Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Baker, Vice Chair Slom and Members of the Senate Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs; and Economic Development and Technology:

I am Brigadier General Arthur J. Logan, State Adjutant General and the Director of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of House Bill 746 HD1.

Cybersecurity is an ever-growing threat to business and government operations, and personal data. The recent data disclosures from the several malware attacks are prime examples. Imagine terrorists gaining control of an electrical grid or the air traffic control system.

House Bill 746 HD1 funds a cybersecurity coordinator and a secretary. This measure exempts the coordinator from civil service. It also establishes one secretary position which should not be an exempt position.

This coordinator will partner with the Hawaii fusion center, Federal government agencies; State government agencies; the counties of the State; institutions of higher education; and other entities within the power, water, communications, transportation, and finance sectors, including public utilities, private telecommunications companies, airlines, financial institutions, and private information technology companies.

This new partnership will work collaboratively to establish a structure within the State of Hawaii to work toward addressing cyber resiliency in the state to include education, cyber security, critical infrastructure protection, the economy, and how to develop the capacity/capability for all entities within state to be able to be resilient to cyberattacks.

These positions are essential to the overall cybersecurity initiative. Cybersecurity is a growing concern and a coordinated action by government and private business is required. The security coordinator will be the center point of this coordinated action.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in SUPPORT of House Bill 746 HD1.