

# SB2152

Measure Title:	RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
Report Title:	Hawaii Emergency Management Agency; Community Preparedness; Resilience; Appropriation (\$)
Description:	Appropriates funds to the Hawaii emergency management agency for the purpose of supporting community resilience and preparedness programs.
Companion:	
Package:	None
Current Referral:	PSM, WAM
Introducer(s):	GABBARD, KEITH-AGARAN, NISHIHARA, SHIMABUKURO, Espero, Galuteria, Ihara, Kidani, Slom, Taniguchi, L. Thielen

## STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### **TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 2152** A BILL RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

## PRESENTATION TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL. AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

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# MAJOR GENERAL ARTHUR J. LOGAN ADJUTANT GENERAL AND DIRECTOR OF THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY February 2, 2016

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero, and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

I am Major General Arthur J. Logan, State Adjutant General and the Director of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency. I am testifying in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 2152.

This measure will enable the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) to expand its community outreach programs. HI-EMA continues to partner with public and private organizations to enhance community resilience. Our Hawaii Hazards Awareness and Resilience Program (HHARP) remains a success story. The program has fostered achievements in Kailua and Waimanalo. HI-EMA is now taking the HHARP program to several more communities and to the neighbor islands.

This funding in this measure will allow HI-EMA to maintain and further expand its outreach programs and increase community resilience to benefit the state of Hawaii.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 2152.

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# VERN MIYAGI ADMINISTRATOR OF THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY February 2, 2016

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I am Vern Miyagi, Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency. I am testifying in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 2152.

This measure will provide the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) the opportunity to expand its outreach programs to our local communities. HI-EMA's ongoing partnerships with private and community organizations increase information about community resilience.

The Hawaii Hazards Awareness and Resilience Program (HHARP)

- enhances community resilience to multiple hazards through an education and outreach program that promotes hazard understanding and awareness, and
- offers tools and information resources to guide mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery.

We have had successes in the Kailua and Waimanalo communities. We are now working the community in Waianae, with Hawaii Kai and other areas starting into their process toward resilience. We recently had an initial community briefing for the west side of Kauai.

HHARP continues to be at the forefront of our community outreach. The funding provided by this measure, expansion of the HHARP program to the neighbor islands would now be possible.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 2152.

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February 2, 2016

The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair and Members Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs House of Representatives Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Nishihara and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 2152, Relating to Emergency Management

I am Joseph A. Trinidad, Captain of the Major Events Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports the intent of Senate Bill No. 2152, Relating to Emergency Management.

The HPD, along with the Department of Emergency Management, Honolulu Fire Department, and other City and County of Honolulu departments, has been actively participating in the various community resilience and preparedness programs. The appropriation of funds is necessary in order to continue to conduct and possibly expand such high-impact meetings and training with the City and County of Honolulu citizenry.

The HPD urges you to support Senate Bill No. 2152, Relating to Emergency Management. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely.

Joseph A. Trinidad, Captain Major Events Division

APPROVED:

Louis M. Kealoha Chief of Police

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leslie Kahihikolo	Kailua Community Emergency Response Team	Support	No

Comments: As the leader of the Kailua Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) I support the funding of resiliency and CERT programs as stated in SB2152. Kailua CERT is a grassroots organization with no funding. Any supplies CERT members bring to a disaster are at their own expense. Financial assistance would enable us to purchase search & rescue and medical supplies to care for casualties in a disaster.

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Mike Golojuch	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
rodney boucher	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Aloha, My name is Rodney Boucher and I have been an Ewa Beach resident for 16 years. I fully support SB 2152 (3061) and I am giving this supportive testimony as an individual community member. "Every Disaster is Local!" Disaster Peparedness quote Both the Hawaii Hazards Awareness Resiliency Program (HHARP) and Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training provide real time/real world support capabilities for our 1st responders in our communities. Supporting Community resilience and preparedness efforts, in the form of the HHARP and CERT programs, is a key component of our community being prepared in times of statewide, county, & local emergencies/disasters. In my opinion, the Community benefits from SB 2152 far outweigh the funding requested. Mahalo for your time and efforts in support of SB 2152. Point of disclosure I am a volunteer/member with the following organizations: Ewa NB23/Ewa EPC/Red Cross/Oahu CERT/CICRN/HVOAD I am available to provide additional testimony in support of SB 2052. Mahalo for your time and efforts. Rodney Boucher 91-941 Hanakaha St Ewa Beach, HI 96706

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Jeanne Ohta	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a member of Aina Haina Prepared and a CERT graduate, I have seen how many volunteers are involved in training, educating, and preparing the community for emergencies. There are many dedicated individuals who commit their time and energy and many weekend. These funds are necessary so that our communities can be resilient should an emergency occur.

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Margaret Ralston	Individual	Support	No

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