STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OFFICE OF HOMELNAD SECURITY

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 955 A BILL RELATED TO HOMELAND SECURITY

PRESENTATION TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFIARS

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Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and Members of the Committee.

I am MG Arthur J. Logan, Adjutant General, Director of Emergency Management and Director of Homeland Security. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of SB 955.

The proposal of SB 955 continues the development of the HRS Chapter 128 A-3 and adding the Hawaii Fusion Center. The vision of the fusion center is to share information to ensure our partners are equipped with the necessary tools to keep Hawaii and the Nation safe, secure and resilient.

The Hawaii State Fusion Center serves as a focal point for the state for the receipt, analysis, gathering and sharing of threat-related information between the federal, state, local, and private sector partners. The focused areas of the Fusion Center is Terrorism and Cyber Security as it relates to the State of Hawaii's Critical Infrastructure. Fusion centers are situated in the state to empower front line law enforcement, public safety, fire, emergency responders, public health, critical infrastructure protection and private sector security personnel to understand the implications of intelligence for and to the State. The fusion center provides interdisciplinary expertise and situational awareness to inform decision-making at all levels of government. The Hawaii State Fusion Center conducts analysis and facilitates information sharing by assisting law enforcement and homeland security partners in preventing, protecting against and responding to crime, terrorism and all-hazard incidents. The Hawaii State Fusion Center also manages the Cyber Security Intelligence Center for TOP SECRET cyber threats to our critical infrastructure lifelines with the State of Hawaii.

In addition to the support to and from law enforcement, the Hawaii State Fusion Center works closely with the all educational levels and security personnel to report school incidents, theft, threats, shootings, etc., in our SAFE KEIKI portal. In additional, many of our hotel security are part of the HHSVISA portal, where again threats to our visitors are noted and provided to the appropriate law enforcement for investigation.

The Hawaii State Fusion Center is an important part of Hawaii's Homeland Security and the protection of our citizens and visitors.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 955.

STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 230 A BILL RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – SUPPORTING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE AND PREPAREDNESS PROGRAMS

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VERN T. MIYAGI Administrator, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency

Chair Nishihara, Vice-Chair Wakai and Members of the Committee.

I am Vern T. Miyagi, Administrator of Hawaii Emergency Management Agency and am testifying in **SUPPORT** of Senate Bill 230 as long as it does not replace the Governor's priorities as requested in his executive budget.

I do sincerely appreciate your recognition and focus on the importance of community resilience and preparedness.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



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January 31, 2017

TO:The Honorable Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, ChairSenate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

FROM: Pankaj Bhanot, Director

SUBJECT: SB 955 RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY

Hearing: January 31, 2017, 1:15 p.m. Conference Room 229, State Capitol

DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports this Administration measure.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the bill is to add the Fusion Center as a program under the existing Office of Homeland Security and establishes the position of director of the fusion center who shall be responsible to the director of homeland security and accountable to manage the day-to-day operations of the fusion center.

The Fusion Center is a significant resource to the State of Hawaii and serves as an important center for Federal, State, County agencies, and private entities to come together and receive the most up to date information on security and other issues that may impact the residents of the State. DHS is a State partner agency and has received assistance and information through Fusion Center partners on issues that range from homelessness, coordinated response to sex trafficking, the REAL ID Act, and vital information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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S.B. 955 RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY.

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

The Department of Transportation **supports** S.B. 955 to establish a fusion center program under the Office of Homeland Security.

The State has unlimited vulnerabilities and as such, we must ensure that we are getting access to the information we need to protect our communities. A fusion center is a key mechanism for that process. As threats increase, it is essential that the State has the capability and capacity to defend against threats that could have devastating consequences. The only way we will achieve preparedness is through true cooperation and information-sharing at all levels of government.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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January 31, 2017

The Honorable Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair and Members Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs The Senate Hawaii State Capital 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Nishihara and Members:

SUBJECT: Senate Bill No. 955, Relating to Homeland Security

I am Glenn I. Hayashi, Captain of the Major Events Division, Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD supports Senate Bill No. 955, Relating to Homeland Security.

This bill proposes to establish and operate a state fusion center that shall be known as the Hawaii State Fusion Center. This bill will facilitate the effective collaboration and dissemination of critical threat information to all law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Hawaii.

Once again, the HPD stands in firm support to Senate Bill No. 955, Relating to Homeland Security.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

Sincerely,

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Glenn I. Hayashi, Captain Major Events Division

APPROVED:

Cary Okimoto Acting Chief of Police

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<u>SB955</u>

Submitted on: 1/27/2017 Testimony for PSM on Jan 31, 2017 13:15PM in Conference Room 229

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