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October 12, 2017

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker
and Members of the House of
Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the Instance Of Usage Of Electric Guns report, as required by Section 134-16(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). In accordance with Section 93-16, HRS, a copy of this report has been transmitted to the Legislative Reference Bureau and the report may be viewed electronically at <http://dlnr.hawaii.gov/reports/>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Suzanne D. Case", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson

Enclosure

**Report to the Twenty-Ninth Legislature
Regular Session of 2018**

**INSTANCE
OF USAGE OF ELECTRIC GUNS**



**Prepared by:
Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement
Department of Land and Natural Resources
State of Hawaii**

**In response to:
Section 134-16(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes**

**Honolulu, Hawaii
October 2017**

INSTANCE OF USAGE OF ELECTRIC GUNS

This report is submitted in accordance with Section 134-16(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding the maintenance of records and instance of usage of electric guns.

Act 148, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, authorized the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE) the ability to possess electric guns while continuing efforts toward accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies by June 30, 2018.

While policy consultation remains on-going, DOCARE is preparing to field the Taser Conductive Electric Weapons by providing current training to its Conservation and Resources Enforcement Officers. DOCARE is also providing training to renew the Division's Taser Instructor qualifications for its training staff. Lastly, DOCARE is also reviewing current Taser equipment to ensure readiness of use once fielded. DOCARE expects to issue and field the weapons to its officers in the near future.

Consequently, the Department of Land and Natural Resources reports no instances of the use of electric guns.