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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2071, HOUSE DRAFT 2 RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

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Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

> Senate Committee on Labor Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair Senator J. Kalani English, Vice Chair

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Chairs Nishihara and Tokuda, Vice Chairs Wakai and English, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports the intent** of House Bill (HB) 2071, House Draft (HD) 2, which would establish a law enforcement standards board for the certification of law enforcement officers and training, and further, create a law enforcement standards board special fund. PSD, however, offers comments of concern.

Sections 7 and 8 address revocation or suspension of certifications and investigations. The Department notes that any provisions of this proposed bill should not violate or be inconsistent with the law enforcement officers' collective bargaining agreement, which is BU 14 for deputy sheriffs and BU 13 for Narcotics Enforcement Investigators and Internal Affairs Investigators, under PSD.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.