

STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of the House of Representatives Thirty-first State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, HI 96813

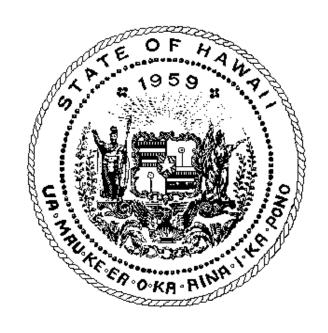
Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the **2020 Annual Report on the Use and Discharge of Electric Guns**, as required by Section 134-16 (d), Hawaii Revised Statutes. In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at: https://dps.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/2020 Annual Report on Use and Discharge of Electric Guns.pdf.

Sincerely

Max N. Otani Director

Enclosure



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT TO THE 2021 LEGISLATURE

2020 ANNUAL REPORT ON THE USE AND DISCHARGE OF ELECTRIC GUNS

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SECTION 134-16 (d), HRS ANNUAL REPORT TO THE 2021 LEGISLATURE

Chapter 134-16(d) of the Hawaii Revised Statutes states:

The county police departments of this State, the department of public safety, the department of land and natural resources, and the army and air national guard shall maintain records regarding every electric gun in their custody and control. The records shall report every instance of usage of the electric guns; in particular, records shall be maintained in a similar manner as for those of discharging of firearms. The county police departments, the department of public safety, the department of land and natural resources, and the army and air national guard shall annually report to the legislature regarding these records no later than twenty days before the beginning of each regular session of the legislature.

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) has 25 Axon Taser 7 conducted electric weapons in its inventory.

PSD's conducted electric weapons are currently being carried in the field under a limited pilot project in its Law Enforcement Division. As of November 15, 2020, PSD has not had any discharge of its conducted electric weapons.