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March 9, 2022 **GOV. MSG. NO.** 1

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President and Members of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 √The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

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

Transmitted herewith are proposed changes to the FY 23 Executive Supplemental Budget for operating requests for the Departments of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and Public Safety. An amendment to the program appropriation provisions is also proposed.

Your favorable consideration is appreciated for the following budget and proviso requests to amend the FY 23 Executive Supplemental Budget:

1) Adjustments to the Operating Budget Request:

Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Public Utilities Commission (CCA 901/MA)

Add \$1,000,000 in special funds in FY 23 for the Public Utilities Commission to expend funds from the Electric Vehicle Charging System (EVCS) Subaccount in support of the EVCS Rebate Program established pursuant to Act 142, SLH 2019, and expanded pursuant to Act 75, SLH 2021. The EVCS Subaccount receives \$0.03 of the Environmental Response, Energy, and Food Security Tax (Barrel Tax) but currently does not have any appropriation for expenditures from the subaccount for FY 23.

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Department of Public Safety

Crime Victim Compensation Commission (PSD 613/DA)

Add \$365,086 in general funds as a cash infusion into the Crime Victim Compensation Special Fund in FY 23 for personal services costs and other operating expenditures for the Crime Victim Compensation Commission (CVCC). The projected shortfall in special funds is attributed to the reduced compensation fees assessed by the courts and higher collective bargaining costs.

Funding will be used for the following 4.00 full-time equivalent (FTE) exempt positions: 1.00 FTE Executive Director, 2.00 FTE Investigators, and 1.00 FTE Administrative Assistant.

2) Amendment to Program Appropriation Provisions:

Department of Public Safety

Amend Section 18 of Act 88, SLH 2021, which authorizes \$676,222 in general funds for CVCC to be deposited as a cash infusion into the Crime Victim Compensation Special Fund for the payroll and operational costs of CVCC in FY 22, to also authorize the deposit of \$365,086 in general funds for the above purpose in FY 23.

Should you have any questions regarding these requests, please have your staff contact the respective departments.

With warmest regards,

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Governor, State of Hawai'i

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Attachment

c: Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz Honorable Sylvia Luke

OPERATING BUDGET

The following operating budget amendments to the FY 23 Executive Supplemental Budget are requested:

Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Public Utilities Commission (CCA 901/MA)

Add \$1,000,000 in special funds in FY 23 for the Public Utilities Commission to expend funds from the Electric Vehicle Charging System (EVCS) Subaccount in support of the EVCS Rebate Program established pursuant to Act 142, SLH 2019, and expanded pursuant to Act 75, SLH 2021. The EVCS Subaccount receives \$0.03 of the Environmental Response, Energy, and Food Security Tax (Barrel Tax) but currently does not have any appropriation for expenditures from the subaccount for FY 23.

FY 22

FY 23

Other Current Expenses

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Department of Public Safety

Crime Victim Compensation Commission (PSD 613/DA)

Add \$365,086 in general funds as a cash infusion into the Crime Victim Compensation Special Fund in FY 23 for personal services costs and other operating expenditures for the Crime Victim Compensation Commission. The projected shortfall in special funds is attributed to the reduced compensation fees assessed by the courts and higher collective bargaining costs.

Funding will be used for the following 4.00 full-time equivalent (FTE) exempt positions: 1.00 FTE Executive Director, 2.00 FTE Investigators, and 1.00 FTE Administrative Assistant.

FY 22

FY 23

Personal Services

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PROGRAM APPROPRIATION PROVISIONS

The following amendment to the program appropriation provisions of the FY 23 Executive Supplemental Budget is requested:

Department of Public Safety

House Bill No. 1600 (Senate Bill No. 2176), Section 5, is amended as follows:

"(X) By amending section 18 to read as follows:

"SECTION 18. Provided that of the general fund appropriation for the Crime Victim Compensation Commission (PSD 613), the sum of \$676,222 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022 and the sum of \$365,086 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 shall be deposited as a cash infusion into the Crime Victim Compensation Special Fund and expended for the payroll and operational costs of the Crime Victim Compensation Commission.""