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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1037
RELATING TO STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS
BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

BY

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Aloha Chair Tarnas, Vice-Chair Takayama, and members of the committee.

I am Major General Kenneth Hara, Adjutant General, Director of Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, and Homeland Security Advisor, State of Hawaii, Department of Defense

The Department of Defense (DEF) provides written testimony in **SUPPORT** of HB1037.

This measure updates language in Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 128A, Part II regarding the Statewide Interoperable Communications Coordinator (SWIC) as part of the migration of the Office of Homeland Security to the Department of Law Enforcement effective January 1, 2024.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in **SUPPORT** of HB1037.

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RELATING TO STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS

BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

BY
EVERETT S. KANESHIGE
STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

FEBRUARY 15, 2023

Aloha Chair Tarnas, Vice Chair Takayama and members of the committee:

My name is Everett Kaneshige, and I am the Statewide Interoperable Communications Coordinator with the Office of Homeland Security at the State Department of Defense.

The Office of Homeland Security provides written testimony in **SUPPORT** of HB1037, HD1.

This measure, if passed, updates the language in Chapter 128A, Part II of the Hawaii Revised Statutes regarding the statewide interoperable communications executive committee and the statewide interoperable communications coordinator as part of the migration of the Office of Homeland Security to the Department of Law Enforcement.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in **SUPPORT** of HB1037, HD1.

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State Capitol Conference Room 325, via video conference
WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Chair Tarnas, Vice Chair Takayama, and members of the Committee:

The Department of Law Enforcement (DLE) supports House Bill 1037, HD1.

This bill is a housekeeping measure to accurately reflect the migration of the Office of Homeland Security from the Department of Defense to the DLE on January 1, 2024.

This bill is needed accurately reflect the location of the Statewide Public Safety Interoperable Communications functions of the Office of Homeland Security.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill.

HB-1037-HD-1

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Testimony for JHA on 2/15/2023 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
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Comments:

Please pass this bill.

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Juanita Mahienaena Brown Kawamoto