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No. _____

November 29, 2022

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

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

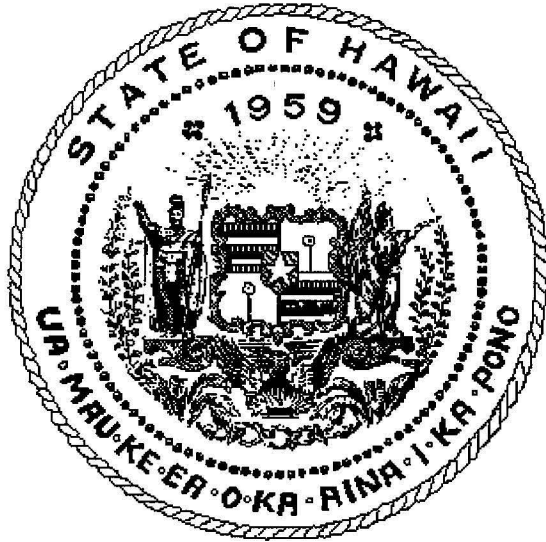
Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the **2022 Annual Report on the Use and Discharge of Electric Guns**, as required by Section 134-16, 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:
<http://dps.hawaii.gov/publications/reports-to-legislature/>.

Sincerely,

Max N. Otani
Director

Enclosure



**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
REPORT TO THE 2023 LEGISLATURE**

**2022 ANNUAL REPORT ON THE USE AND
DISCHARGE OF ELECTRIC GUNS**

December 2022

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
SECTION 134-16 (d), HRS
ANNUAL REPORT TO THE 2023 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. Based on the safety provided by these weapons when they are carried, PSD has respectfully requested, via a separate budget request, that the Legislature consider an appropriate level of funding so that its pilot project can be expanded to provide for a conducted electric weapon to be issued for all of its law enforcement officers.

During 2022, PSD had three (3) incidents of its conducted electric weapons being used in the field during confrontations with resistant subjects, which are summarized below.

Date	Unit	Type of Call	Disposition	Discharge Type
01-13-22	Airport	Harassment	Suspect Arrested	Drive Stun
01-25-22	Airport	Harassment	Suspect Arrested	Drive Stun
09-25-22	Airport	Unauthorized Entry to Motor Vehicle	Suspect Arrested	Discharge/No Connection