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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1752  
RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

BY

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January 30, 2026

Aloha Chair Belatti, Vice-Chair Iwamoto, and members of the committee:

The Department of Defense provides written testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of **HB1752**.

This bill will update the membership of the State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee (EMSAC) by replacing myself as the Adjutant General with the Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HIEMA).

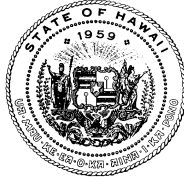
This is a practical and pragmatic step to keep our emergency response system aligned with today's realities. HIEMA is the state agency that coordinates statewide emergency management and disaster response, including medical services. Having HIEMA at the table ensures that policy decisions about emergency medical services are informed by those who manage the overall emergency framework for our state.

This small change will improve coordination during disasters, streamline planning, and ensure that emergency medical service policies reflect the lessons learned from recent state emergencies. It also reduces inefficient obligations of the Adjutant General while maintaining strong leadership representation at EMSAC.

Additionally, the Department of Health has been coordinated on this change, and they are supportive of the proposed change.

For these reasons, I humbly ask for your support on this measure and appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony. Please feel free to call me or our Director of Legislative Affairs, Brigadier General (Retired) Neal Mitsuyoshi at 808-369-3562, [neal.s.mitsuyoshi@hawaii.gov](mailto:neal.s.mitsuyoshi@hawaii.gov).

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**Testimony in SUPPORT of HB1752  
RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

REPRESENTATIVE DELLA AU BELATTI, CHAIR  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

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1 **Fiscal Implications:** None

2 **Department Position:** The Department of Health ("Department") supports this measure and  
3 respectfully offers the following comments.

4 **Department Testimony:** The Emergency Medical Services & Injury Prevention System Branch  
5 (EMSIPSB) provides the following testimony on behalf of the Department.

6 This bill appropriately updates the list of nonvoting ex-officio members by including the  
7 Administrator of the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency, ensuring better alignment  
8 between emergency medical services, disaster preparedness, and statewide emergency  
9 response coordination. This change reflects the current operational realities of emergency  
10 management in Hawai'i and strengthens interagency collaboration.

11 Additionally, SB3134 and HB2314 modernize Hawai'i's emergency medical services statutes to  
12 align with current best practices. We respectfully suggest that, where appropriate, the  
13 provisions in this bill be incorporated into those measures to ensure consistency and  
14 comprehensive modernization of the Hawai'i Revised Statutes.

15 **Offered Amendments:** None

1           Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.