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**Testimony in SUPPORT of HB1752 HD1 SD1  
RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

SENATOR KARL RHOADS, CHAIR  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 7, 2026 10:15 PM

Room Number: 415

1 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

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

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

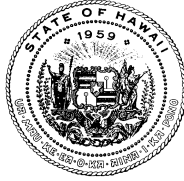
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7 Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, ensuring better alignment  
8 between emergency medical services, disaster preparedness, and statewide emergency  
9 response coordination. This change reflects the current operational realities of emergency  
10 management in Hawai'i and strengthens interagency collaboration.

11 Additionally, Senate Bill 3134 (SB3134) and House Bill 2314 (HB2314), relating to Emergency  
12 Systems of Care, seek to modernize Hawaii's emergency medical services statutes to align with  
13 current best practices. SB3134 has been amended to incorporate the provisions of HB1752. For  
14 HB2314, we are working to amend the measure to ensure consistency across all related bills.  
15 We respectfully recommend that, where appropriate, the provisions in this bill (HB1752) be

1 integrated into these measures (SB3134 and HB2314) to promote uniformity and achieve  
2 comprehensive modernization of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

3 **Offered Amendments:** None

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



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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1752 HD1 SD1  
RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

BY

MAJOR GENERAL STEPHEN F. LOGAN  
ADJUTANT GENERAL  
AND DIRECTOR OF THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

April 6, 2026

Aloha Chair Rhoads, Vice-Chair Gabbard, and members of the committee:

The Department of Defense provides written testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of **HB1752 HD1 SD1**.

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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