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**SUPPORT  
HB 2120 HD1  
RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANGEMENT**

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Yamashita and Members of the Committee, the Hawaii State Energy Office (HSEO) supports HB 2120 HD1, which updates several sections under Section 127A—1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to reflect current practices, policies, and procedures of the State Emergency Management Program and prevailing emergency management best practices and adds wording that highlights the intent of the State, Governor, and emergency management agencies to address environmental and climate impacts on emergency management.

It is important to ensure the chapter of the Hawaii Revised Statutes that specifies the responsibilities and authorities of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency is up to date with current practices and updated threats and hazards. Bringing this chapter up to date will improve government and private sector infrastructure preparedness planning and help streamline the response following a disaster impacting essential community lifelines, including energy.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.