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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO STATE BUILDINGS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in our post-  
2 September 11th world, terrorism, violence, and threats of  
3 violence in public forums have become increasingly common. As  
4 such, it is the responsibility of our state government to do  
5 more to ensure that citizen engagement does not come at the  
6 expense of public safety. At the federal level, the United  
7 States Department of Homeland Security's Interagency Security  
8 Committee, whose mission is to develop security standards and  
9 best practices for nonmilitary federal facilities, has issued  
10 guidance detailing "best practices" and recommendations for the  
11 protection of federal facilities, employees, contractors, and  
12 visitors, and these recommendations include using security  
13 countermeasures such as metal detectors and x-ray machines at  
14 pedestrian and public entrances of federal buildings.

15           The legislature also finds that the value of open access to  
16 state buildings such as public schools, departmental offices,  
17 the legislature, and judicial buildings must be balanced with  
18 the need to ensure the physical safety and well-being of the



1 visiting public and building occupants. Despite the number of  
2 state-owned buildings that are potential targets of terrorist  
3 attacks, currently only the judicial branch requires visitors to  
4 pass through metal detectors and have their personal belongings  
5 undergo x-ray screening.

6 The purpose of this Act is to maintain public access to  
7 state buildings while taking reasonable measures to protect the  
8 public by requiring the office of the governor to identify state  
9 buildings at "high risk" for terrorism, develop and implement a  
10 master security plan that will increase safety and security  
11 through the mandatory use of metal detectors, x-ray scans of  
12 baggage, and other prudent measures, determine a timeline for  
13 completion, and report on its progress to the legislature.

14 SECTION 2. The office of the governor shall:

15 (1) Identify which state buildings - whether they be  
16 departmental offices of the administrative branch,  
17 legislative facilities such as the state capitol,  
18 judicial buildings, or public schools - are likely  
19 targets for terrorism that should be deemed "high  
20 risk";



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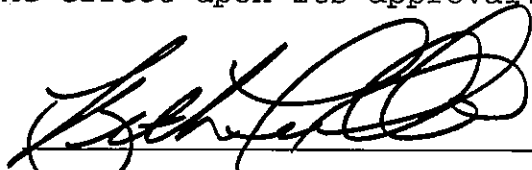
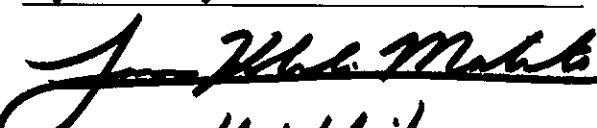
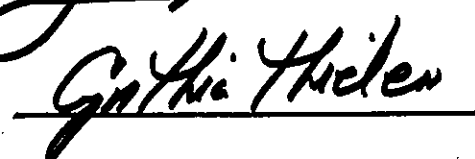
- 1 (2) Develop and implement a master security plan for
- 2 buildings deemed "high risk" that will increase safety
- 3 and security through the mandatory use of metal
- 4 detectors, x-ray scans of baggage, and other prudent
- 5 measures; and
- 6 (3) Determine a timeline for phased implementation of the
- 7 plan, with the timeline to be completed no later than
- 8 December 31, 2016.

9 SECTION 3. The office of the governor shall submit to the  
 10 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
 11 the 2017 legislative session a written report of its progress on  
 12 the master security plan for buildings deemed "high risk", as  
 13 well as its timeline for phased implementation of the plan.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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# H.B. NO. 1923

**Report Title:**

State Buildings; "High Risk" Buildings; Master Security Plan.

**Description:**

Requires the office of the governor to identify State buildings at "high risk" for terrorism, develop and implement a master security plan, and determine a timeline for completion. Requires a report to the legislature.

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