March 29, 2011

The Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. President:

Transmitted herewith are proposed changes to the FB 2011-13 Executive Budget for the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS), Office of the Governor (GOV), and Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR). Your favorable consideration is requested for the attached budget items:

1. Add $1,300,000 for FY 12 and $700,000 for FY 13 in general funds for increases in electricity expenditure and water/sewer charges. Although the consumption of utilities has decreased, the rising price for a barrel of oil and increases in water/sewer fees have resulted in a net increase in utility expenditures.

2. Add $1,200,000 for FY 12 and $1,200,000 for FY 13 in special funds for the Office of the Governor Program (GOV 100). The funds would be used to establish a Chief Information Officer, 7.00 temporary staff positions and operating expenses to implement the provisions of Act 200, SLH 2010.

3. Add $475,000 for FY 12 in general funds for the Natural and Physical Environment Program (LNR 906). The funds will be used for related expenses at various DLNR facilities due to the tsunami damages.

4. Add $7,800,000 for FY 12 in general obligation bonds for a capital improvement project request for the Natural and Physical Environment Program to address, repair and/or reconstruct various DLNR facilities due to the tsunami damages.

5. Add $2,500,000 for FY 12 in county funds for a capital improvement project for the Public Lands Management Program to reflect the receipt and expenditure of funds from the County of Kauai for additional work at the Kapahi reservoirs.
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Your staff may contact staff of DAGS, GOV, and DLNR for additional information. Your understanding and assistance is appreciated.

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Governor, State of Hawaii

Attachment

c: Honorable David Y. Ige