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**INSTANCE
OF USAGE OF ELECTRIC GUNS**



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This report is submitted in accordance with Section 134-16(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding the maintenance of records and instance of usage of electric guns.

Act 148, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, authorized the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement, hereinafter identified as DOCARE, the ability to possess electric guns while continuing efforts toward accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies by June 30, 2018.

The majority of Conservation and Resources Enforcement Officers (CREOs) have been trained and are fielding the Axon TASER X26P Conductive Energy Weapons ("Electric Guns"). The deployment of these weapons and training will be completed statewide by the end of calendar year 2021 resulting in all CREOs having the ability to use Less than Lethal force when necessary. Additionally, DOCARE will continue instructor level training to maintain the ability to train and certify CREOS in the proper application of the TASER X26P Conductive Energy Weapon (CEW) and to monitor for updated software for the TASER X26P CEW.

Consequently, the Department of Land and Natural Resources reports no instance of the use of electric guns.