

**Report to the Thirty-Second Legislature
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**INSTANCE
OF USAGE OF ELECTRIC GUNS**



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This report is submitted in accordance with Section 134-87(b)(3), 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' (Department) 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 Department reports one (1) instance of the usage of a Taser 7 Conductive Energy Weapon, which occurred at Maalaea Harbor, Maui. The subject involved was not injured and was subsequently arrested for Tampering with Evidence and Resisting Arrest.

Lastly, all Conservation and Resources Enforcement Officers (CREOs) have been trained and are fielding the Axon TASER X26P or Taser 7 Conductive Energy Weapons ("Electric Guns"). DOCARE continues to provide appropriate in-service recertification training of all CREOs in accordance with the standing policy.