

**Statement of Senator Daniel K. Akaka
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S. 3806, SECURE Facilities Act of 2010

I am pleased to be a cosponsor of the Secure Facilities Act, which builds on years of Federal Protective Service (FPS) oversight I have done with Senators Lieberman, Collins, and Voinovich.

I have long been concerned that FPS did not have the workforce, training, and resources it needs. By setting minimum staff levels, improving training, and enhancing contractor oversight, this bill takes important steps to give FPS the tools it needs to close gaps in Federal building protection.

I encourage my colleagues support this important piece of legislation.

**H.R. 2142, as amended
GPRA Modernization Act of 2010**

I am pleased to join Senators Lieberman, Collins, and Voinovich, in cosponsoring Senator Carper's substitute amendment. I would also like to thank Senator Warner for his leadership on the GPRA Modernization Act.

As an original cosponsor of the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, often referred to as GPRA or the Results Act, I believe the time has come to refine and enhance this landmark bill.

The Results Act was a bipartisan effort that succeeded in establishing a comprehensive and consistent statutory foundation of required agency strategic plans, annual performance plans, and annual performance reports. GPRA is, and must remain, a cornerstone of the Federal Government's efforts to strengthen strategic planning across all agencies.

Several U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) reports examining the implementation of the Results Act over the past 17 years confirm the need to strengthen the statutory framework established by GPRA.

The substitute amendment we offer today draws on long-standing GAO recommendations and amends GPRA to require the Federal Government adopt a more strategic and crosscutting approach when planning and implementing performance improvement initiatives.

Congress must make sure Federal agencies spend taxpayer dollars wisely, while carrying out critical missions. The GPRA Modernization Act will help meet this goal by establishing a framework for a high-performing Federal Government.