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**Before the House Committee on
FINANCE**

**Wednesday, April 2, 2014
3:30 P.M.
State Capitol, Conference Room 308**

**In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 136
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT,
COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIOHULI-KEOKEA
HOMESTEADS, KIHEI, MAUI, FOR SEAWALL AND ROCK REVETMENT
PURPOSES**

House Concurrent Resolution 136 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering approximately 2,387 square feet which is a portion of state submerged lands seaward of the property identified as Tax Map Key No.: (2) 3-9-012:004 situate at Waiohuli-Keokea Homesteads, Kihei, Maui for the purpose of maintenance, repair, replacement and removal of an existing seawall and rubble rock revetment constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS"). **The Department of Land and Natural Resources supports this concurrent resolution.**

As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board of Land and Natural Resources ("Board") may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". The Board approved as amended the request for the fifty-five year, term, non-exclusive easement at its meeting on June 10, 2010, under agenda item D-10. The fair market value of the proposed easement has been determined by independent appraisal and the applicant has tendered consideration to the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
ON HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 136
URGING THE OFFICE OF ELECTIONS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF
EARLY WALK-IN VOTING LOCATIONS

April 2, 2014

Chair Luke and members of the House Committee on Human Services, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on House Resolution No. 136. The purpose of this resolution is to urge the Office of Elections to increase the number of early walk-in voting locations, also referred to as absentee polling places.

As established by state law, the Office of Elections is responsible for election day services, which includes the administration of polling places, counting of ballots, and election results. Voter Registration and absentee voting are under the jurisdiction and responsibility of the various City/County Clerks. More specifically as it relates to this resolution, section 15-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, states "absentee polling places shall be established at the office of the respective clerk and may be established at such other sites as may be designated by the clerk."

Given this, any request to increase the number of absentee polling places or to propose particular locations would be more appropriately directed to the various City/County Clerks.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on House Resolution No. 136.