

HCR296 / HR261 REQUESTING AN AUDIT OF THE STATE'S COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 5 OF ACT 178, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2006

House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs House Committee on Water, Land and Ocean Resources

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) <u>SUPPORTS</u> HCR296 and HR261. These resolutions ask the State Auditor to examine the State's compliance with certain key laws designed to ensure the State's accountability for correctly identifying, managing, and reporting revenues derived from the public land trust.

We respectfully suggest that this audit would be of value not only to OHA, which is entitled to a share of these revenues in support of its service to its beneficiaries, but also to the State itself in serving as trustee of the public land trust, and to the Legislature in determining whether the laws it has passed are being followed.

We urge your committees to PASS these resolutions. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on these important measures.