TESTIMONY

<u>HB1424</u>

Measure Title:	RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF RESOURCE VALUE LANDS.
Report Title:	DLNR; Lipoa Point; Land Acquisition; Appropriation (\$)
Description:	Requires DLNR, in consultation with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust and notwithstanding board approval, to engage in efforts to acquire the parcel of land located at Lipoa Point, identified as TMK 2-4-1-001- 010-0000. Makes an appropriation.
Companion:	
Package:	None
Current Referral:	WTL, WAM
Introducer(s):	MCKELVEY, CARROLL, ING, WOODSON, Souki, Yamashita

Sort by Date		Status Text
3/1/2013	S	Received from House (Hse. Com. No. 138).
3/1/2013	S	Passed First Reading.
3/5/2013	S	Referred to WTL, WAM.
3/12/2013	S	The committee(s) on WTL has scheduled a public hearing on 03-19-13 1:20PM in conference room 225.

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STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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Testimony of WILLIAM J. AILA, JR. Chairperson

Before the Senate Committee on WATER AND LAND

Tuesday, March 19, 2013 1:20 pm State Capitol, Conference Room 225

In consideration of HOUSE BILL 1424 RELATING TO THE ACQUISTION OF RESOURCE VALUE LANDS

House Bill 1424 proposes to require the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department), in consultation with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust (HILT) and notwithstanding Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) approval, to engage in efforts to acquire the parcel of land located at Lipoa Point, identified as tax map key 2-4-1-001-010-0000. The bill also proposes an appropriation to fully or partly fund the acquisition. **The Department supports the intent of this measure, provided the appropriation does not negatively impact the priorities of the Administration's Biennium Budget request.**

In brief discussions with HILT, the Department has learned that the owner, Maui Land and Pineapple Company, Inc., is a willing seller and that HILT is hiring an appraiser to provide a letter of appraisal and eventually a full appraisal of the subject property and intends to apply for State grant-in-aid to fund the due diligence process. Notwithstanding the Board's approval under Section 173A-5(i), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), the Department is able to continue discussions with HILT regarding the acquisition of the subject property pursuant to the regular due diligence procedures of the Department, the approval of the Board under Section 171-30, HRS, and the approval of the attorney general required under Section 107-10, HRS. The Department supports acquisition provided that the designated management program has the capacity to manage the property for its cultural and recreational values.

The Department presently provides funding to Maui Land and Pineapple Company, Inc., for conservation and restoration actions in its mauka watershed forests through grant agreements from the Natural Area Partnership Program and the Forest Stewardship Program.

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Councilmember Don Couch	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/14/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
MAUI COUNCILMEMBER MICHAEL VICTORINO	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this measure wholeheartedly and wish to convey my thoughts as an individual and I am not testifying on behalf of the council or anyone else on this important decision. I have always supported the purchase of Lipoa Point to save it for generations to come. We have this unique opportunity to preserve pristine lands while maintaining the obligations to take care of our retired pineapple employees. Please vote for this measure, placing these special lands into responsible hands. Mahalo for your consideration and if there are any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at my office on Maui at 270-7760.

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courtney okief	save honolua coalition	Support	No

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Glenn Kamaka	Save Honolua Coalition	Support	Yes

Comments: Aloha and mahalo for allowing me to share my mana'o on this very special place called Kulaokaea (Lipoa Point) Honolua Bay. My name is Glenn Kamaka, son of the late James Simeon Kamaka of Kahakuloa Maui and Irene Bertha Kaaihue Kamaka of Hana Maui. I was born at the Pioneer hospital in Lahaina Maui. Grew up at the the Baldwin packers pineapple camp in Honokahua Maui. My dad worked as a utility driver for the pineapple company. My mom worked as at Napili Kai Beach Club. I am the second oldest child of the three brothers and three sisters. Our father taught us how to live off the land and ocean. We fished by throw newt and Hukilau from Honokohau to Oluwalu. We used to the boat ramp at Honolua bay to launch our boat with the nets and hukilau. Those days we were allowed to catch fish and camp at Honolua Bay and Kulaokaea (Lipoa Point) as a fishing family we camped and fished almost every weekend to put food on our table and to share with other family members. This is a cultural part of our heritage that our father instilled in us. As a board member of the Save Honolua Coalition, a 501c3 non profit organization, I humbly ask for your support of bill HB1424. We are working with Hawaiian Islands Land Trust, Aha Moku, Maui Land and Pineapple, and local government to create a win win solution. Please do what is right to save Kulaokaea (Lipoa Point) and Honolua bay for Kupuna's past and present and our community.

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Richard Houghton	The Strategy Group Inc.	Support	No

Comments: vote yes on HB 1424

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Alicia morrier	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I wish to correct my previous opposition to this bill and be recognized in my support of this instead. Mahalo

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I support House Bill 1424!

Mahalo!

Andrew Isoda Lahaina, HI

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Stacy K Guthrie	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I hope that the senate will understand how important it is to put Honolua Bay into a permanent state for our future generations as well as for the current generation into a Land Trust. Honolua Bay is our community center. It is where I have seen boys and girls go to men and women and it sets the perfect stage for mentoring them to chase their dreams. This is where we get to talk story while watching the whales breech and the sun set after a perfect day of catching waves at a world class surf break. Oahu has the North Shore on Maui we have Honolua Bay and it needs to be preserved in the state that it is in now. Not for just the surfers but also for the fishermen who go there to throw net. Please understand what a tremendous desision you are about to make and realize how many of us are trusting you to make the best choice for the many generations to come. Please look into your hearts and remember the places that you held sacred when you were growing up in Hawaii and how few pristine places are left like Honolua Bay. I will pray that you will do the right thing and I trust that you know what that is. LAND TRUST status for Honolua Bay!! Mahalo for reading this, and mahalo for understanding what a important and powerful choice you are about to make. Please make us proud that you are rightfully voting on behalf of the people you represent!

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Ann Fielding	Individual	Support	No

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From:Anna HayashiTo:WTL TestimonySubject:I support HB 1424.Date:Sunday, March 17, 2013 7:54:39 PM

I support HB 1424.

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Audrey Kane	eshiro	Individual	Support	No

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Date:	Wednesday, March 13, 2013 10:09:08 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
April Lee	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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From:	August Gebb
To:	WTLTestimony
Subject:	I support HB 1424
Date:	Monday, March 18, 2013 12:17:11 PM

I support HB 1424...bill...please save this invaluable Land and Ocean for our keiki!!!! Keep it clean and undeveloped. The run off will kill the reef, thus ruining a world class wave...Surf Destination. It attracts surfers to Maui from all over the world. Some of the best days of my life have been spent riding the waves at Honolua Bay. If my kids dont get too do the same it would be so wrong. Please!!! Mahalo.

Submitted on: 3/16/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Betty Bradford	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly urge you to support this measure for the sake of the aina and the Hawaiian people.

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aloha,

please overcome any hurdles you encounter to facilitate acquisition of coastal properties, specifically lipoa / honoloa bay area ? asap.

my degree is in resource management am farm owner upcountry am surfer since childhood have family on maui that arrived 1955 and seen constant degradation and over-development here !

let's do the right thing take care of the aina and the ocean we rely so much on !

mahalo, brett gobar, finca ulu de paz, 13214 kula hwy, kula hi. 96790

Brett Gobar Manager Finca Ulu de Paz Kula Hawaii uluusurf@gmail.com 808 633 6916

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Daniel Grant	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: If Hawaii really wants to continue to be a leader in environmental protection and tourism, preserving Honolua/Lipoa is essential. Any ploy/plan to develop a place with such historical and legendary power (mana) is and will be a failure. As a current resident of Santa Cruz, California, I see how tourism can effect a local economy everyday. Developing Lipoa/Honolua with big money and more Kapalua type monster homes would be the equivilent of building luxury homes out on Santa Cruz Municipal wharf. Ridiculous idea. Please, for the future of our islands, and the keiki, leave it alone. Make improvements through volunteer/education/ common sense. Thank You for putting aside greed and doing what is right. Sincerely, Daniel J. Grant

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Carmel Gabrial	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: March 19, 2013 Testimony in favor of approval and passage of: HB 1424 - Relating to the Acquisition of Resource Value Lands Requires DLNR, in consultation with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trus and notwithstanding board approval, to engage in efforts to acquire the parcel of land located at Lipoa Point, identified as TMK 2-4-1-001-010-0000. Makes an appropriation. Testimony I am a lifelong resident of the island of Maui, and my children were also born and raised on Maui. In just two generations we have experienced our island become a tourist mecca with development of new housing and businesses. Our glorious natural habitat is being compromised to the point where some conservationists refer to Hawaii as "the extinction capitol of the nations." We have a staggering amount of bio-diversity on our land and surrounding waters which includes endangered plant and animal species. I am in favor of passing HB1424. It has been intelligently composed and ethically provides truly a win-win situation for the current land owner and for the community's use and enjoyment of the land now and in the future. HB1424 considers the important marine and archaeological aspects of the parcel, as well as the business aspects of tourism alongside the recreational use for the local community. This generation has a responsibility and the ability to guard our lands and water from further demise. I write to strongly urge the Senate to pass HB1424 which puts the future and nature of Honolua Bay in the safety net of the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust and the Dept. of Lands and Natural Resources. Very Respectfully Submitted, (Signed) Carmel Gabrial JD Candidate, 2014 William S. Richardson School of Law University of Hawaii at Manoa carmel.gabrial@gmail.com

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I support HB 1424, emphatically.

Charlie Osborn P.O. Box 11720 Lahaina, HI 96761

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Chris Evans	Individual	Support	No

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From:Christopher KompstTo:WTLTestimonySubject:HB 1424Date:Monday, March 18, 2013 8:07:08 AM

I support HB 1424. Save Honolua. Chris Kompst 808-280-9701

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Clyde Scheuer	Individual	Support	No

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Dale Bonar	Individual	Support	No

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Daria Celeste	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As stewards, it is our duty to protect and to maintain open space, public access, and revitalize the ecosystems of our planet. Teaching and "doing" through community based management, imcorporating local cultural values and practices, is vital. Save this beautiful place, Honolua.

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I support HB 1424.

Dr. David Gilbertson 1888 Kalakaua Avenue #1406 Honolulu, HI 96815 (808) 264-2246

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David Whitmire	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, I urge you to support HB1424. This is an important and vital step in preserving and protecting a special place called Honolua Bay. The bay has been under attack from manmade pollution and deadly runoff. The reef is in danger and the time for action is now. The community has ardent support and a well developed coalition to back up your support of this important legislation. Your duty and responsibility will hopefully lead you to do the right thing. Protect this beautiful place. Vote yes on HB1424. Mahalo!

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David William Evans	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Maui wouldnt be the same with more housing on Lipoa Point - SAVE LIPOA for the future generations.

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Dawn Boucher	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please vote to preserve Lipoa Point for future generations! Yes on HB1424.

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Dear <u>WTLtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov</u>

I would like to support HB 1424; this amazing bay and shoreline land should be held in a Land Trust to be preserved forever.

Thank You, Deborah L. Smith T

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Devon Mastrich	Individual	Support	No

Comments: yes on HB1424

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Dorothy E	Binder	Individual	Support	No

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I fully support HB 1424, and ask that each of the representative do too. We MUST preserve the beauty and ecology of our island.

Thank you in advance for support on this important issue.

Don Robinson 910 Honoapiilani Hwy. Suite #7-313 Lahaina, HI 96761

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Please support HB 1424 to protect Honolua's beauty and ecological resources for our children, future generations, and for the economy. Tourists only visit Hawaii if it stays beautiful and unique. If we make it look like the rest of the world, no one will spend a dime to visit. Mahalo,

Emma White, JD, MA 67 Meheu Circle Kahului, HI 96732

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Eric K. Olson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass this bill to provide funding to maintain Honolua Bay and Lipoa point as undeveloped land. Mahalo!

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Frank Violi Jr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Yesterday my 7 year old son (Kainoa Violi) and I shared a memorable experience surfing Honolua Bay together. The conditions were pretty much ideal; Sunny skies, clean waves with light trades, and big enough to break but not too intimidating. We jumped off the rocks and into the warm clear water...punched through a couple waves and sat up on our boards to wait for the next set. There were about 10 of us at the point (more surfer's enjoying the cave section just inside) and there were plenty of waves for the kids and girls to get some fun waves without too much hassle. Kainoa only caught about 4 or 5 waves before coming in but his smile was from ear to ear and he said it was not only the best session he has had at Honolua but the most fun he has ever had surfing. I work part time for a boat company (Trilogy) so I get to see first hand how special this unique location is both above and below the water. The tourist's who continue to return year after year to snorkel this incredible reef are disturbed when I inform them it may be developed. We (My Son, the Tourist's and I) want this treasure to be preserved for posterity and any development on shore would without doubt have a detrimental effect on both the health of the reef and natural beauty of the shore. Please seriously consider the value of this opportunity to save one of the most beautiful places on earth. Thank You and Malama Honolua. Frank Violi Jr.

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Council Chair Gladys C. Baisa

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March 14, 2013

TO: The Honorable Malama Solomon, Chair Senate Committee on Water and Land

FROM: Gladys C. Baisa Council Chair

SUBJECT: HEARING OF MARCH 19, 2013; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1424, RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF RESOURCE VALUE LANDS

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to appropriate general obligation bonds for the Department of Land and Natural Resources, in consultation with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust, to engage in efforts to acquire the parcel of land located at Lipoa Point.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

- 1. By Ordinance 4004 (2012), the Maui Island Plan was adopted as part of the Maui County General Plan. The Maui Island Plan establishes, for the first time, urban and rural growth boundaries on the island of Maui. The Maui Island Plan also identifies areas that should be permanently protected because of their significant environmental, ecological, cultural, and recreational value, and because degradation of the resource would result in an irretrievable loss. During its deliberations on the Maui Island Plan, the Council heard from hundreds of testifiers pleading with the Council to identify Lipoa Point for permanent protection. Unfortunately, the Council was only comfortable identifying the immediate coastal areas of Lipoa Point and Honolua Bay for protection because these lands are already in the State Conservation District. The Council did not want to identify the other lands at Lipoa Point and Honolua Bay for permanent protection because of the potential devastating consequences of more than 1,600 retirees of Maui Land & Pine whose pensions may be jeopardized by the potential devaluation of the property.
- 2. Due to economic conditions, Maui Land & Pine stopped pineapple operations in 2009 and was forced to lay off workers. Because of the reduction in active employee participation in the pension plan, the company posted approximately 1,400 acres in West Maui as collateral in April 2011. The land remains collateralized today. When the company ended its golf operations in March 2011, the loss of additional active employees participating in the pension plan triggered the requirement of additional security. Maui Land & Pine is relying on Lipoa Point and over 5,300 acres mauka of Honolua to secure the additional unfunded retirement liability.

Honorable Malama Solomon, Chair March 14, 2013 Page 2

3. Since 2007, the Mayor and Council have consistently pledged \$1 million for the acquisition of land at Lipoa Point, but we cannot do it alone. We need partners from the State and Federal Government, and from concerned community groups to ensure the preservation of Lipoa Point in perpetuity.

For the foregoing reasons, I support this measure.

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Graham Ellis	Individual	Support	No

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HELEN Nielsen	Individual	Support	No

Comments: If my schedule allow for me to attend (I live on Maui) I may be present at the hearing and will testify at that time, in support.

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grant fletcher	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Save the aina for our keiki..keep honolua sacred and safe from development.....aloha from hanalei and the mainland.....Grant

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Janet Shriner	Individual	Support	No

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Jeff Cassidy	Individual	Support	No

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Jeff Morris	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jefffrey H Schwartz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support enactment of this bill and urge its passage without weakening amendment.

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Jennifer Durnin	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Jennifer	Howard	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Jerry Pennell	Individual	Support	No

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Joe Theisen	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The northern Honoapiiliani Hwy is simply not suitable for resort traffic. The State will take on huge infrastructure liabilities by promoting development north of Honalua Bay. Please keep Lipoa Point as Ag. or open space. Your visitors will thank you for it!

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John Bruce	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support the purchase of Maui's Lipoa Point and the creation of a Public Park!

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John Carty	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My Name is John Carty and I live on Maui in the moku of Ka'anapali. I'm the v.p. of the Save Honolua Coalition. Our mission statement is to maintain open space, public access, and revitalize the ahupua'a of Honolua through community based management utilizing Hawaiian cultural practices and values. We support HB 1424. We are working together with Maui Land & Pineapple, Hawaiian Islands Land Trust, Aha Moku, the Maui County Council, and Mayor Arakawa. There is a sense of urgency. Many factors are coming together to make now our best chance to Save Honolua and create a win-win situation for all involved. The unstable financial condition of the land owner, Maui Land & Pineapple Company looms over the open space of Honolua like a dark cloud. About 5 1/2 years ago MLP withdrew plans for development at Honolua after overwhelming testimony from the community including over 16,000 physical signatures to the Save Honolua petition calling for the preservation and acquisition of this area. Since then, we have been exploring different ways to preserve the land while taking steps towards cleanup and revitalization with the land owner and various groups. It is a scary thought of what would happen if MLP went under and we had to deal with the highest bidder. Lets make a deal now with a willing landowner. There are many reasons why it is crucial to Save Honolua with a land trust. And while it is enough to do it for her own sake because she is Honolua, I will mention more. First: Revenue. Honolua is what tourists love and it is the star attraction in West Maui where the majority of high end luxury hotels on Maui are. Its snorkeling, open space, and wild beauty are the essence of what brings the tourists along with their money to our State. During the summer and other peak days, our studies conclude that over 1000 people access Honolua Bay by land and sea. Second: Environment. Honolua Bay is a State Marine Life Concervation District and the reef is dying fast. According to the most recent DLNR survey, in 1995 there was 45% coral cover in the Bay. 10 years later is was less than 9% That's 45 down to 9. After the latest round of development in our Ahupua'a several years ago, events like this started happening (show picture of mud flow). This runoff has been devastating. We must make certain that this does not happen again. Third: Community. Honolua is beloved by the people of Maui for reasons too many to mention. Surfing is a big one. It is known as "The Bay" and loved world wide by surfers for its perfect shape. Our West Maui shoreline is filled with Hotels, Restaurants, and private homes from

Pua'mana all the way to Kapalua. Honolua is the first open space and the playground and sanctuary for our people. And fourth, the most important reason, is culture. The harm done to our host culture and its people by development and western land practices is unimaginable. We can, through this bill, Save this area so that future generations of Hawaiians can connect to this sacred land of their ancestors. In 1976 the Hokule'a launched from Honolua on her maiden voyage. There are many important cultural sites in the area including heiau, burials, holua slide, kings trail, and more. I am lucky to be friends with a few kupuna from the area and I wish they could be here today to tell you the deep spirituality and sacredness of honolua. And maybe they would tell you what they have told me... "We are counting on you to save it." Mahalo, John Carty V.P. Save Honolua Coalition

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Jon Clausen	Individual	Support	No

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ΗI,

I love Hawaii and my 8 year old asks to visit every year! She cannot get enough. I believe we need to protect this beautiful area and coastline.

I Support HB 1424

--Jon

I support House Bill 1424.

Joseph Shinn

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Josh Anderson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a Canadian citizen from Vancouver who has been coming to Maui for many years. Lipoa and Honolua are one of the mystical parts of Maui that continue to bring my family back to enjoy the undisturbed beauty of Maui. This is a Hawaiian Icon and its preservation should not be compromised by short-sighted development.

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Justin P Lemire	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Please support the passing of this bill to ensure Honolua and its surrounding areas can be enjoyed by all people for generations to come. Mahalo, Lemire Ohana

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From:	Kachina Palencia
To:	WTLTestimony
Subject:	I SUPPORT HB 1424
Date:	Sunday, March 17, 2013 9:01:26 PM

Submitted on: 3/17/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Karen Stange	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Katherine Boyles Thompson	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Thank you for preserving a very beautiful little bay, that really ought to be a marine preserve. This bay is so fragile; more development in the close area will kill the fish from dirt run off. Many places Hawaii have no fish left, because we did not take care, at the right time. Let's protect one of the last 'fish havens' left. Kate Thompson R.N.

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Kay Miyamoto	Individual	Support	No

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Kim Hayashi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We don't need more development on this part of the island. Existing high end developments are ghost towns for most of the year. Please save this pristine area for the people.

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Kimberly Cooper	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Important to, preserve this land and pass legislation. Kahana Maui resident

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Kimberly eckerson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please save the bay!

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Aloha,

I support HB1424. This is an important and vital step in preserving and protecting Honolua Bay.

Please protect this beautiful place, qnd vote yes on HB1424.

Thank you,

Kregg Strehorn

<u>HB1330</u>

Submitted on: 3/12/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lance Kimura	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill strongly. here are youtube videos of poaching in reserve/prohibited areas in broad daylight with the perpetrators car and license plate and no one is doing anything about this:

http://www.youtube.com/user/DOCAREdontcare?feature=watch here is a link to DLNR's DAR rules which clearly shows what these criminals are doing is illegal. just by watching the video you can clearly tell they know they're up to no good.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lars Lind	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this bill to acquire Lipoa Point. Mahalo!

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То:	WTLTestimony
Cc:	stoneflower 8@hotmail.com
Subject:	*Submitted testimony for HB1424 on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM*
Date:	Thursday, March 14, 2013 5:31:06 AM

Submitted on: 3/14/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

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Laura Raye	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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To whom it may concern, I am sending this e-mail to let you know I am in full support of HB 1424.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Leslie Cummings

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
lisa cook	Individual	Support	No

Comments: please do not let this beautiful bay become ruined!

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Aloha,

I am sending this message to indicate my support of HB 1424. By this point you have undoubtedly received a massive amount of community testimony and again I find myself right up to (hopefully not past) the deadline to submit my own testimony, otherwise I would be sure to write a lot more about this special place. A key reason Honolua hasn't received the attention it deserves in terms of a management plan (and implementation of priority conservation actions) is that its 'ownership' and roles, responsibilities and therefore accountability for its management has been unclear. By passing this legislation, a big step forward can be taken, and hopefully will be followed by action.

Liz Foote Maui (808) 669-9062

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S	ubmitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
	Lorri Nelson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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I support HB 1424.

for our children for our grandchildren for the world

Louise Rockett louiserockett@aol.com P. O. Box 903 Lahaina, HI 96767

Aloha

Please give your support to create a funding mechanism to acquire one of Maui's internationally known coastal areas: Honolua Bay and Lipoa Point.

This purchase also helps our kupuna receive the pensions they deserve after a lifetime of hard work.

Mahalo

Lucienne de Naie PO BOX 610, Haiku, HI 96708

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Submitted	l By Organiza	ition Testifier Position	at
Lynn Jorda	an Individu	al Support	No

Comments:

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I am writing you in support of HB 1424, ensuring Honolua is put into a Land Trust. Mahalo!

Lynne & Dave Miller 873 Paniolo Place Makawao, HI 96732

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Margo Gill	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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From:	<u>U"i</u>
To:	WTLTestimony
Subject:	Support HB 1424
Date:	Sunday, March 17, 2013 8:45:47 PM

Honolua Bay and the coast all the way down to and including Hobbitland is a special sacred gift that is island has to share with the inhabitants and visitors. I believe it is our duty to preserve this area forever. I am asking you to support this preservation. Thank you.

Sincerely, Marilyn U'ilani Powers

Submitted on: 3/16/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marisa Provost	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please preserve the land at Lipoa point! This is a jewel of Maui's land and attractions. There are so many people who enjoy Honolua Bay. The locals and tourists alike. As a young adult I spent everyday at Lipoa point weather it was surfing, riding a bike ,or just walking around the point to be at peace. I have taken my children to this lovely area so they can enjoy the beauty of the land and surrounding ocean. I have so many wonderful memories of this area I cannot possibly think of Lipoa point as anything but a playground. This is a sacred place to so many people who live on Maui.We are not wealthy with money, but wealthy with the life experiences that Lipoa point and Honolua Bay provides. Please preserve it!

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Mark Rudd	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Save Lipoa Pt and surrounding area -

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Mark Sheehan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This is a major conservation/park property for West Maui that has almost nothing. Please find this and thank you for doing so.

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Martha E Martin	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this bill. Maui needs to protect this coastal land area so that no private or commercial development prevents public use of the beach and ocean areas.

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Martha Lind	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this bill to acquire and save Lipoa Point! Mahalo!

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From:M WukelicTo:WTLTestimonySubject:In support of HB 1424Date:Monday, March 18, 2013 1:02:45 PM

Putting Honolua into a trust is an opportunity that should not be missed. I fully support this bill.

Marti Wukelic Lahaina, Hi

http://martiwrites.com

From:	mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To:	WTLTestimony
Cc:	matthew.maclean@ca.cushwake.com
Subject:	Submitted testimony for HB1424 on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM
Date:	Monday, March 18, 2013 11:17:03 AM

Submitted on: 3/18/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Matthew MacLean	Individual	Support	No

Comments: please spare this magical area from development.

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max fancher	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Save Honolua!!

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From:Maxime BayolTo:WTL TestimonySubject:HB 1424Date:Monday, March 18, 2013 11:03:01 AM

I fully support HB 1424

--Maxime

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Melissa Vaughn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Individual	Support	No
		Organization Position

Comments: Please consider the importance of the Lipoa Point area of Honolua Bay in regards to preserving open space and the ecosystem that stems because of it that is of major appeal to not only the inhabitants of Maui but to visitors from all over the world. You have the opportunity in your hands and hearts to follow in the footsteps of Roosevelt, Muir and other visionaries of American history and save our steadily disappearing sacred areas to development. Please let the children grow up with the same opportunity to walk on pristine lands that we had. Thank You.

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From:	Michael Sirutis
То:	WTLTestimony
Subject:	Hb 1424
Date:	Monday, March 18, 2013 7:58:42 AM

As a surfer and a local resident I feel the preservation of Honolulu bay is of great

importance, not just for ourselves but to future generations. Development is something which can not be undone, while preservation is something with very little risk involved. I support HB 1424 all the way. It is a no brainer which will benefit all but select few who are trying to capitalize on the development.

Ua Mau ke Ea o ka 'Āina i ka Pono

Michael Sirutis

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Mike Moran	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support to preserve this special place on Maui

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Moana Wietecha	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Please note my support for preserving Honolua Bay on Maui.

-Naomi Wick 131 Kumukahi St Lahaina, HI 96761 808-214-8760

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Nicole Bear	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Philip Purpuri	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please protect Honolua for the good of all. Thank you.

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Rachael Chisom	Individual	Support	No

Comments: SAVE HONOLUA BAY. PROTECT HAWAII. YES TO HB1424.

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Renee Riley	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support HB 1424. We--and future generations--will thank you. Aloha,

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robert knourek	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I believe that these lands MUST be protected. Thousands of tourist return time and time again to this "natural" side of the island. They want to see nature and experience the reefs, rainforests and scenic drives. And all the people of W. Maui play on this side of the island. Please preserve these lands. There are plenty of hotels and golf courses already.

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March 12, 2013

- TO: Honorable Malama Solomon, Chair Committee on Water and Land
- FROM: Robert Carroll Council Member, East Maui Robert Carroll
- DATE: Tuesday, March 19, 2013
- SUBJECT: SUPPORT HB 1424, RELATING TO ACQUISITION OF RESOURCE VALUE LANDS

I support HB 1424 for the reasons cited in testimony submitted by the Maui County Council Chair, and urge you to support this measure.

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Robert Freitas Jr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill.

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Robert Heidrich	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Sarah McLane	Individual	Support	No

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Sarah V Raisbeck (Sally)	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this important bill hb1424 to protect Honolua. All Maui wants this site protected.

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scott g. iverson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this bill to save honolua from development. Thank you

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sharon Marsoun	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please preserve and protect Honolua from development! Its natural beauty is one of the many reasons that people come to Maui. Naturally beautiful sites are disappearing, and once they're gone, we can't get them back. The forest and the bay are so naturally beautiful. Please protect them! Yours truly, Sharon & Ed Marsoun

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Submitted on: 3/14/2013

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
silas nichols	Individual	Support	No

Comments: support preserving honolua bay.

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Aloha:

As a resident of Maui I fully support HB 1424. Lipoa point is a very historic, sacred, and beautiful part of Maui. Everyone I know and talk to in the community is in favor of preserving Lipoa Point in perpetuity. The action proposed in HB 1424 will help to ensure that Lipoa Point and the Honolua Bay area remain in their natural state for both locals and visitors to enjoy for generations to come. This area of Maui is one of the main natural attractions that bring visitors to Maui which supports our hotel industry and all the associated jobs. The Honolua Bay and Lipoa Point areas are important historic/sacred sites used by our ancestors as evidenced by the Heiau, burial mounds, and other archeological finds. The surrounding marine and terrestrial ecosystems are some of the richest, abundant, and diverse in the world. These historic and natural resources must be preserved for future generations to enjoy. HB 1424 benefits the Maui community at large as well as the State of Hawai'i by solving a pension benefit issue for many Kupuna thereby reducing the overall strain on State services these Kupuna would require without their pension in place. Please vote in favor of HB 1424.

Mahalo nui loa,

Skip Westcott

Council Chair Gladys C. Baisa

Vice-Chair Robert Carroll

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March 14, 2013

TO: Honorable Malama Solomon, Chair Senate Committee on Water and Land

FROM:

Stacy Crivello / Council Member

DATE: March 19, 2013

SUBJECT: SUPPORT OF HB 1424, RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF RESOURCE VALUE LANDS

I support HB 1424 for the reasons cited in testimony submitted by the Maui County Council Chair, and urge you to support this measure.
Submitted on: 3/18/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

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sterling lorence	Individual	Support	No

Comments: one of the most beautiful bays in the world and equal surf spot....must be saved as is.

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From:	mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To:	WTLTestimony
Cc:	<u>skjsurf@gmail.com</u>
Subject:	Submitted testimony for HB1424 on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM
Date:	Friday, March 15, 2013 5:22:27 AM
Attachments:	bay1.JPG

Submitted on: 3/15/2013 Testimony for WTL on Mar 19, 2013 13:20PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Steven Josefsberg	Individual	Support	No

Comments: To whom it may concern, Now that HB1424 has passed the house it is up to members of the senate to move this bill forward. I believe that passing this bill is the only way to save this beautiful piece of Hawaii for everyone, including future generations. I hope that the senate will act with this in mind. Saving Honolua/Lipoa is what the great majority of people want. Honolua/Lipoa is a unique and rare place and should be preserved. Thank you for you time and consideration. Steven K Josefsberg

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Please support. HB 1424. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan Henderson

Sent from my LG Optimus G[™], an AT&T 4G LTE smartphone

From:	<u>susan conway kean</u>	
To:	WTLTestimony	
Subject:	HB1424	
Date:	Monday, March 18, 2013 8:32:47 AM	

I am writing to show my support of HB1424. As a long term Maui resident I would like to say that this area provides an incredible stretch of open space along some of the most spectacular coastal byway in Hawaii. As an artist, I am saddened by the loss of these incredibly "Hawaiian" viewscapes to ongoing development. As a mother to a surfer, I have spent many days sitting on the cliffs above Honolua watching my son and his friends surf the perfect waves and the loss of public access would be devastating. Please do all you can to help preserve this most iconic landscape so we have a place to take our grandchildren to let there imaginations sore without the encumbrance modern housing developments in the background.

Susan Kean Kihei, Hawaii

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Susan Kessler	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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March 15, 2013

This morning I write to you in support of HB1424. Natural resources in the islands of Hawaii are becoming more and more threatened. Since we now have an opportunity to save this important part of Hawaii's natural and human history, it is an imperative to do so. Lipoa Point has value to the community, the watershed, the health of the ocean and to the world at large as not only a place of pure, unfettered beauty, but also as a place that will draw millions of people to bear witness to this incredible ecological masterpiece. It has been proven many times over that when we, as mankind, put the preservation of the Earth's resources before our own desires to simply exploit those resources for the short term, that we will be rewarded for many years to come. In Hawaii, one only has to look at the example of the Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary to demonstrate how that can benefit the economy for the long term.

I look forward to the Senate passing HB1424 so that Lipoa Point may be preserved for generations to come.

Thank you in advance.

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Sincerely, Susan Seubert 1932 SW Edgewood Rd. Portland, OR 97201 <u>susan@sseubert.com</u> National Geographic Expeditions Photography Expert

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Suzie Gates Heidrich	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Tennyson Sebastian II	Individual	Support	No

Comments: preserve honoloa bay PRESERVE HONOLOA BAY

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From:	Terry Klein
To:	WTLTestimony
Subject:	Honolua Save It
Date:	Monday, March 18, 2013 8:45:40 AM

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to submit testimony on behalf of the Save Honolua Coalition, and Honolua Bay/Lipoa Point. This is a very special area to me, and many others. It is gorgeous, pristine, and well loved by snorkelers, surfers, and Native Hawaiians, as well as tourists and visitors to the area. It is worthy of the highest level of protection from development. I would like to see it preserved for future generations. It is also historically significant, and home to many fish species. Thank you for your help on this important project. Sincerely, Terry Kleip

Terry Klein

--Terry Klein <u>808-283-4216</u> (cell) e-fax <u>866-286-8889</u>

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Terry Martin	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please save the Honolua/Lipoa area.

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THOMAS HARROWBY, INDV, SUPPORT

I support funding to acquire LIPOA POINT HB1424

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tia pearson	Individual	Support	No

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From:Gary FrankTo:WTLTestimonySubject:Support HB 1424Date:Monday, March 18, 2013 12:57:59 PM

Please support HB 1424.

Sincerely, Gary Frank Los Angeles, CA I suport HB1434.

Rodriguuez

Anthony James

216 Henderson Ct. Roseville,Ca. 95747