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Before the House Committees on WATER & LAND and OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

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In consideration of HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 104 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS PURSUANT TO SECTION 171-53, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, RELATING TO THE RECLAMATION AND DISPOSITION OF SUBMERGED OR RECLAIMED PUBLIC LAND

House Concurrent Resolution 104 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering 2,243 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 4-7-014: seaward of 010, at Kaalaea, Koolaupoko, Oahu for maintenance and repair of existing seawall and filled land constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this concurrent resolution.

The current owner of the abutting property, Mr. Robert Cambra, was in the process of obtaining a shoreline certification. During the survey process, portion of the seawall and filled land were found encroaching on State lands located makai of the shoreline and therefore considered as submerged lands. 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". At its meeting on November 10, 2011, under agenda item D-15, the Board approved the issuance of a new term, non-exclusive easement for seawall and filled land purposes.

The Department notes that the sole applicant of the subject easement is Mr. Robert Cambra. Agnes L. Freitas Trust named in the resolution is actually the previous owner of the abutting property, who should be deleted from this resolution.

The Department hired the appraisal firm of Appraisal Hawaii Inc. who determined the one-time payment, fair market value of the easement is \$62,600.

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