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

Monday, March 25, 2013 8:45 AM **State Capitol, Conference Room 325** 

## In consideration of **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 144** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT HEEIA, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE USE, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR OF AN **EXISTING PIER**

House Concurrent Resolution 144 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering 589 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 4-6-001:seaward of 014, at Heeia, Koolaupoko, Oahu for maintenance and repair of existing pier constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this concurrent resolution.

The owners of the abutting property, Bernice Bailey, Frederick Bailey, Jr., and Susan Koehler, applied to the Department for a non-exclusive easement for pier purposes over State 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 December 14, 2012, under agenda item D-13, the Board approved the issuance of a new term, non-exclusive easement for pier purposes.

The Lessee is required to pay the State the fair market value of the easement as consideration for the use of public lands. The amount of consideration is to be determined by independent appraisal.

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