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

Monday, February 11, 2013 8:30 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 15 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERPETUAL, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KAPAHULU. HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR SEAWALL PURPOSES

House Concurrent Resolution 15 requests the authorization to issue a perpetual, non-exclusive easement covering 125 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 3-1-038: seaward of 042, at Kapahulu, Honolulu, Oahu for maintenance and repair of existing seawall and improvements constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this concurrent resolution.

The owner of the abutting property, Dr. Richard Kelley, is in the process of purchasing a remnant, which is a portion of Old Diamond Head Road from the State. During the survey of the remnant area, the Department of Accounting and General Services Survey Division determined that 125 square feet should be 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 July 13, 2012, under agenda item D-10, the Board approved the issuance of a new 55-year termperpetual, non-exclusive easement for seawall and steps purposes.

The Department hired the appraisal firm of Medusky & Co., Inc. who determined the one-time payment, fair market value of the easement is \$24,149.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.