

# HCR5 House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs House Committee on Water & Land

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) strongly <u>SUPPORTS</u> HCR5, which is a resolution in OHA's 2013 Legislative Package. This resolution would encourage the counties to promote continued ancestral ownership of kuleana lands.

Pursuant to the Kuleana Act of 1850, several thousand native tenants, or maka'āinana, were granted title to the lands they had occupied and improved. For over one hundred years, the Native Hawaiian people have suffered the continual loss of these historical and traditional family lands. As a result, very few Native Hawaiian families still live on their Kuleana lands today. This resolution would help to protect Kuleana lands by recognizing their historical, cultural and ancestral importance to Native Hawaiian families.

We urge your committees to **PASS** HCR5. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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Routh Bolomet	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in support of this bill. I am a kuleana land owner and despite my many efforts to claim my lineal descent kuleana lands, i have found that the counties (maui and oahu), stand in the way of my claims and in fact side with developers or others who illegally claim ownership to our family lands. Much time, money and effort goes into proving by law on the Hawaii State Constitutional, HRS and Kingdom and international law that these lands are ours under allodial title in perpentuity despite the color of title warranty deeds the illegal squatters present as their proof of ownership. Fighting the illegal squatters is one battle, but when you have the counties teaming up with the illegal squatters in what looks to be like a collusive partnership; it is like david fighting goliath, despite the fact that goliath is in the wrong by his own laws. Having the counties support and protect the kuleana land owner from illegal squatters and to uphold the laws that will keep these lands in perpentuity to the awardee's lineal descendents are not only necessary for peace and harmony, but also to prevent descrimination lawsuits in the future. I support this resolution.

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George Ka'uhane	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hawaiian Nationals have and will always be the most qualified to be responsible for all land in Hawaii as is apparent by the 120 years (as of January 17, 2013) of Unlawful Occupation by the United States and the continual destruction of land, water and ocean resources by cash crops cultivation, GMO experimentation, water diversion, reef destruction (by residential development and tourism) and a complete inability to manage those resources well for the people of Hawai'i by the Federal and State Governments.

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Kealii Makekau	Individual	Support	No

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Marirai Tauotaha	Individual	Support	No

Comments: "He ali i ka āina, he kauā ke kanaka." The land is chief, the people its mere servants. This is my favorite  $\bar{0}$  lelo no eau. For me it encompasses the primary value of Hawaiian culture. Hawaiians were the true originators of sustainability. They did not live "on" the land, they lived "with" the land. They realized their survival was solely dependent on the natural environment around them. We have forgotten this very basic principle today and we are starting to pay for it. I shudder to think the costs our children and grandchildren will have to pay if we do not seek the wisdom of the original inhabitants of this place. All the residents of Hawai i need to have Hawaiians on the land, not just to heal the land from our abuses but to teach us how to take better care of our island home so it will continue to be a beautiful and enjoyable place to live for our future generations. I believe with all my heart and soul that the wisdom of the ancient Hawaiians is exactly what we need to address the current problems we have today: food, energy, health, happiness....not just for Hawai i, but for the rest of the world. We have the opportunity to reconnect to this wisdom, please take advantage of it. "I ka wā mamua, ka wā mahope." The future is in the past. My second favorite  $\bar{0}$  lelo no eau. Mahalo for you time, maui

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