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**Testimony of  
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**Before the House Committee on  
OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES, & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Wednesday, March 20, 2013  
9:30 AM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 325**

**In consideration of  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 91  
REQUESTING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF  
THE DIVISION OF AQUATIC RESOURCES OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO  
CONVENE A MARINE GAME FISHING TASK FORCE**

House Concurrent Resolution 91 requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to convene a marine game fishing task force. **The Department supports this resolution, but suggests three minor changes.**

The focus of this resolution is the creation of a marine recreational fishing license. It would be useful if the title was amended to include this point.

Second, rather than mention any particular group (e.g. Pacific Fisheries Coalition), it would be useful to say the Chairperson of the Task Force may invite groups willing to discuss this issue.

Third, a new Division of Aquatic Resources Administrator has yet to be named. Therefore, provide that the Chairperson of the Department may designate an individual within the Department to convene and organize the task force.

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