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In consideration of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 78, SENATE DRAFT 1
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT
COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KAILUA,
KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR ROCK BLANKET AND REVETMENT PURPOSES

Senate Concurrent Resolution 78, Senate Draft 1 requests the authorization to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering a total of 814 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 4-3-003:seaward of 065, at Kailua, Koolaupoko, Oahu for maintenance and repair of existing rock blanket and revetment 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, Global Spring Management Hawaii, LLC, worked with the Department to resolve the encroachment. The encroachment was found on State lands located makai of the shoreline and such area 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 October 11, 2013, under agenda item D-4, the Board approved the issuance of a term, non-exclusive easement for rock blanket purpose.

The grantee shall pay the State the fair market value of the easement as consideration for the use of public lands. The amount of consideration shall be determined by an independent appraisal.