SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT SAND ISLAND, HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR THE USE, MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT, AND REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING FLOATING DOCK.

WHEREAS, the existing floating dock fronting the property identified as Tax Map Key: (1)1-5-041: portions of 006, Sand Island, Oahu, is located upon state submerged lands; and

 WHEREAS, the Marine Educational Training Center (METC), an educational facility operated by Honolulu Community College (HCC) that provides training programs for the repair and maintenance of marine vessels and engines is currently using the floating dock for educational and research purposes; and

WHEREAS, additional users include the University of Hawaii (UH) Sailing Team, the UH Student Recreation Services, and the Polynesian Voyaging Society; and

WHEREAS, due to the closure of the UH Marine Center at Pier 45 Snug Harbor Facility, the UH School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology (SOEST) will divide and relocate its small-boat operations to the proposed SOEST and METC facilities at Sand Island; and

WHEREAS, the current site at Sand Island will require improvements that include installing a new larger floating dock to replace the existing floating dock fronting METC in order to accommodate the spacing needs of SOEST; and

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2015, under agenda item D-12, the Board of Land and Natural Resources approved a grant of a sixty-five-year lease to UH for educational purposes over the adjoining parcels, which lease also includes a non-exclusive easement for floating dock purposes upon state submerged lands; and

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WHEREAS, the subject area is about 64,602 square feet, which will be reviewed and approved by the Department of Accounting and General Services' Survey Division; and

WHEREAS, section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the prior approval of the Governor and prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution to lease state submerged lands; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-eighth

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2016, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Board of Land and Natural Resources is hereby authorized to issue a term, non-exclusive easement covering a portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as Tax Map Key: (1)1-5-041: portions of 006, Sand Island, Honolulu, Oahu, for the use, maintenance, improvement, and replacement of the existing floating dock, pursuant to section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the University of Hawaii and the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

OFFERED BY:

BY REQUEST

JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT:

Land and Natural Resources

TITLE:

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PURPOSE:

To seek the authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution of the issuance of a term, non-exclusive easement by the Board of Land and Natural Resources for the use, maintenance, improvement, and replacement of the existing floating dock.

MEANS:

Concurrent resolution pursuant to section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

JUSTIFICATION:

Due to the closure of the University of Hawaii (UH) Marine Center at Pier 45 Snug Harbor Facility, the UH School of Ocean and Earth Science and Technology (SOEST) will divide and relocate its small- and large-boat operations, respectively. SOEST's large-boat operations will be moved to a new facility at Pier 35, while its small boat operations will be moved to the proposed SOEST and Marine Educational Training Center (METC) Facilities at Sand Island.

The current site at Sand Island will require improvements that include constructing a paved, fenced and lighted laydown or storage area and installing a new larger floating dock to replace the existing floating dock fronting the METC in order to accommodate the spacing requirements needs of SOEST.

METC, an educational facility operated by Honolulu Community College that provides training programs for the repair and maintenance of marine vessels and engines is one of the many users currently on the site. At its meeting on September 25, 2015, under agenda item D-12, the Board of Land and Natural Resources approved a grant of a 65-year lease to UH for educational purposes over the adjoining parcels. The lease also includes a non-exclusive easement for floating dock purposes upon state submerged lands.

Section 171-53, HRS, requires the prior approval of the Governor and prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution for this disposition of state submerged lands. This concurrent resolution has been prepared in compliance with the requirements of section 171-53, HRS.

Impact on the public: None.

Impact on the department and other agencies: None.

GENERAL FUND:

None.

OTHER FUNDS:

None.

PPBS PROGRAM

DESIGNATION:

UOH 100.

OTHER AFFECTED

AGENCIES:

University of Hawaii.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon adoption.