Honolulu, Hawaii

February 12, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 515 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water & Land, to which was referred H.B. No. 515 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REMNANTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to ensure that the disposition of remnants complies with the State's constitutional mandate under the public land trust by:

- (1) Clarifying the definition of the term "remnant" for purposes relating to the disposition of public lands; and
- (2) Establishing additional restrictions on the disposition of remnants.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs testified in support of this measure. The Department of Land and Natural Resources testified in opposition of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Limiting the additional restrictions on the disposition of remnants only to a finding of the Board of Land and Natural Resources that the parcel contains natural or cultural resources necessary for the exercise of native

Hawaiian practices protected by the State Constitution; and

(2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water & Land that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 515, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 515, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water & Land,

RYD I WMANE Chair



State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-eighth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Water & Land

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 515 Committee Referral: WAL, TND, FIN Date: 2/6/15				
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold				
Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WAL Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMANE, Ryan I. (C)			·	***
2. CULLEN, Ty J.K. (VC)				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
3. EVANS, Cindy				
J. Billio, only				
4. ING, Kaniela		ı		
5. LEE, Chris				
6. LOWEN, Nicole E.			·	
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7. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.				
8. SAY, Calvin K.Y.			in the state of th	
9. POUHA, Feki				
10. THIELEN, Cynthia				
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TOTAL (10)	10	Ø	Ø	Ø
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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