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In consideration of SENATE BILL 1139 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Senate Bill 1139 proposes to appropriate \$650,000 of general revenues for flooding remediation on Tax Map Key (3) 2-3-023:008 to be expended by the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department). The Department is unable to support this measure, as the identified parcel is privately owned, and offers the following comments.

The parcel adjacent to the one identified [TMK (3) 2-3-023:006] is also privately owned but has a State of Hawaii ditch that runs through it. The Department previously retained a consultant to perform an assessment of the ditch and determine alternatives to minimize the risk of flooding by constructing several culverts within the State-owned ditch. The current estimated cost for the planning, design, permitting and construction of these improvements is \$1,000,000. If funds are appropriated for this work, the Department recommends a lapse date of June 30, 2022 to allow adequate time to implement the project.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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