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TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM J. AILA, JR, CHAIRMAN
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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
DECISION MAKING ON FEBRUARY 18, 2022 AT 10:00AM VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

## SB 2567 RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIAN BENEFICIARIES

February 18, 2022

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) submits comments on this bill that requires DHHL to digitize its applicant, beneficiary, and lessee records by creating an interactive digital database software program to be completed and available for use no later than 7/1/2023.

DHHL began implementing an electronic document imaging system in June 2013 that converted applicant and lessee records to digital media. Staff training began in 2019, and the neighbor island offices have access to DHHL's electronic record system. This significantly improved accessibility for DHHL's neighbor island offices. The primary purpose of the document management system is to easily store, access, track, and share documents from a secure and central location. The goal is to provide better customer service and create a more efficient use of staff time. It will also allow for the preservation of the original documents. This existing system can always be improved if additional resources are available as long as it doesn't affect the priorities identified in the Governor's Executive Budget request.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

## **SB-2567**

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Testimony for WAM on 2/18/2022 10:00:00 AM



<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Requested
Johnnie-Mae L. Perry	Individual	Support	No

## Comments:

I, Johnnie-Mae L. Perry strongly SUPPORT SB 2567 Relating To Native Hawaiian Beneficaries. This SB will upgrade DHHL system and workspace and as a result deliver more expedite service to the public, inter-agencies, and internal personnel which help relieve their daily stress.