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## Before the Senate Committee on WATER AND LAND

Monday, March 13, 2023 1:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 229, Via Videoconference

## In consideration of HOUSE BILL 953, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill 953, House Draft 1 proposes to require the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to develop and publish a website that includes the application processes for a permit, license, or reservation needed to conduct recreational and commercial activities in the State that are regulated by or under the jurisdiction of the Department. The bill also proposes to require the Department to convert existing application processes into a digital format for the website and appropriate funds for establishing the website. **The Department supports this measure.** 

The Department will submit to the Legislature by December 1, 2023, a report regarding the implementation of this measure. The Department respects the website improvements identified in House Bill 953, House Draft 1, that advance government engagement.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this measure.

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Statement of CHRIS J. SADAYASU Director Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

> Monday, March 13, 2023 1:00PM State Capitol, Conference Room 229

## In consideration of HB953 HD1 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante and members of the Committee. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) would like to provide comments on HB953 HD1. This bill provides funds to DLNR to create a website that contains all the necessary applications for recreational and commercial use of DLNR lands, including film permits.

We defer to DLNR on the substantive areas of the bill. DBEDT's Hawaii Film Office (HFO) is the one-stop shop for the majority of State film permits on all islands. HFO has been working with the state's designated vendor, NIC, for the past year to create an online Standard Film Permit application. This online application is targeted to go live in March 2023. We recommend DLNR integrate this film permitting system, into the new website, rather than creating a separate film permit application. This provides both agencies and the public they serve with one central online portal. Both HFO and DLNR can provide a link on their respective sites to further provide information and application processes for all applicants.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

HB-953-HD-1 Submitted on: 3/12/2023 9:52:31 AM Testimony for WTL on 3/13/2023 1:00:00 PM

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Ted Bohlen	Testifying for Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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Comments:

In support of HD1. Thank you.