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**Testimony of  
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**Before the House Committees on  
WATER & LAND  
and  
OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES, & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Thursday, April 18, 2013  
2:05 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In consideration of  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 22  
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT  
COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KAALAEA,  
KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF EXISTING  
SEAWALL AND IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 22 requests the authorization to issue a 55-year term, non-exclusive easement covering 117 square feet, more or less, portion of state submerged lands fronting the property identified as tax map key: (1) 4-7-024: seaward of 022, at Kaalaea, Koolaupoko, Oahu for maintenance and repair of existing seawall and improvements constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this concurrent resolution.**

The subject seawall encroachment was discovered during the shoreline certification process filed by the current owner, Mr. Bruce H.S. Kim. The Office of Conservation and Coastal Lands has determined that removal of the seawall encroachment will not improve the beach resources or enhance public access. As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the governor and the prior authorization of the legislature by concurrent resolution". At its meeting on September 14, 2012, under agenda item D-15, the Board approved the issuance of a new term, non-exclusive easement.

The Lessee shall pay the State the fair market value of the easement as consideration for the use of public lands. The amount of consideration shall be determined by independent appraisal.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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