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Written Testimony

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REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF USING LUALUALEI NAVAL ROAD AS AN EVACUATION ROUTE IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY OR NATURAL DISASTER ON THE LEEWARD COAST

Testimony by the Legislative Reference Bureau
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Chair Hanohano and Members of the Committee:

Thank you very much for this opportunity to testify on House Concurrent Resolution No. 223, which directs the Legislative Reference Bureau to study the feasibility of using Lualualei naval road as an emergency evacuation route.

The Bureau takes **no position** either for or against the measure, but submits the following comments and concerns:

1. As always, if the Legislature wants us to do this study, we will do it to the best of our ability with the resources we have.
2. As presently drafted, the scope of the study being requested by this measure appears to be manageable.
3. We would, however, request that the measure be amended to request that the state Department of Defense in general and the Civil Defense Division in particular, be requested to provide cooperation, support, and assistance to the Bureau in carrying out this study. We believe the expertise and working relationships established by the Department and Division over the years will enable them to provide valuable assistance.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to testify.