

TESTIMONY

SB 2414

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Testimony for WTL 2/8/2010 3:15:00 PM SB2414

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Comments:

SB 2414
RELATING TO STATE PARKS.
SECTION I

My comments are 2 parts:

1. Pertaining to Iʻolani Palace
2. Sub accounts (REVISIONS TO BILL IN CAPS)

SECTION I, (1)

I oppose the unfettered discretion granted The Friends of Iʻolani Palace. Iʻolani Palace's uniqueness of jurisdiction makes it a sovereign place. The method currently being used by the Friends is prejudicial behavior and discriminatory to Hawaiian people; specifically creating a separate set of rules for the kanaka maoli and their respective events for their purposes of education, government, culture and organization of functions which assist in implementing their right to self determination. What the state is doing with respect to the Palace by excluding the very people that have the most inherent right to use those grounds is illegal by Federal laws, State laws and the laws of lawful Hawaiian entities; in essence, the Friends organization has somewhat placed themselves over the Federal government in its treatment of a class of people protected by the Hawaii Constitution and the Federal government. "The Friends" and the State's ongoing pattern with regard to the Palace grounds is thwarting the Hawaiian peoples' rights to gather and organize in a peaceful purposeful manner. The state has chosen to assume a very ugly posture by allowing one entity (non-profit and for-profit: Friends of Iʻolani Palace) to usurp the Palace for private business interests, one being the infamous sponsored and promoted cocktail parties. I also oppose the proceeds derived from these exclusive events being channeled back to the same for the continuance of these disdainful uses. The Friends' guise of educational activities falls flat on its face...an insult that makes a displeasing situation worse to the host culture. The newly adopted rules must be revised. The public spoke against the new rules in hearings yet the State and the Friends proceeded with absolutely no consideration of the testimony presented. This is all public record.

(2) (d)

The department shall expend monies from each county sub-account for repair, maintenance, and operating costs incurred by the State in the management of state parks in the same county

ONLY WHEN IT IS REQUESTED/APPROVED BY MEMBERS OF THE KOKEE ADVISORY COUNCIL (for the Kokee State Park) AND A DESIGNATED PERCENTAGE OF PETITION SIGNATURES FOR THOSE REQUESTS. A STRICT ACCOUNTING OF THE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM EACH PARK IN THE SUB ACCOUNTS WILL BE MAINTAINED EXPEDITIOUSLY AND AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST BY THE PUBLIC. ANY REQUESTS FOR EXPENDITURES FROM THE SUB ACCOUNTS ARE TO BE PRECISELY ACCOUNTED FOR: FROM REQUEST FOR JOB, ESTIMATE AND TO COMPLETION. A JOB BIDDING PROCESS WHICH WILL ENSURE THE LABOR IS CONTRACTED TO RESIDENTS OF THE RESPECTIVE ISLAND. THIS MANNER OF EXPENDITURE AND HIRING TO APPLY TO ALL OTHER ISLANDS AS WELL, DESIGNATING EITHER THEIR RESPECTIVE ADVISORY COUNCILS OR BY PUBLIC HEARINGS. THE COMMUNITIES WILL DETERMINE WHAT IS NEEDED AND HOW MUCH WILL BE ALLOTTED FOR THE STATE PUBLIC LANDS AS THEY HAVE BEEN SEVERELY NEGLECTED DUE TO THE MISMANAGEMENT OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATORS. HAWAII'S PARKS HAVE NUMEROUS MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITIES WHO HAVE ALREADY BEEN VOLUNTARILY MAINTAINING THE NEGLECTED PUBLIC LANDS. THE STATE HAS HAD UNLIMITED RESOURCES TO CARRY OUT THESE RESPONSIBILITIES AND HAS FAILED. IT'S TIME FOR THE COMMUNITIES TO BE ALLOWED TO CARE FOR THE LAND.

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Comments:

The Na Pali coast State Park generates a large amount of money from camping permits, yet the compost toilets are not monitored or maintained and the most dangerous part of the trail has not been repaired and maintained for years. Trash is not dealt with and the signs are inadequate to inform and educate people about the trash and toilet. The camping permit must be used only for this part to correct the above negligence on the part of the state workers.

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Comments:

The federal Endangered Species Act establishes a much-needed process of identifying species that are in danger of becoming extinct. Despite the protections provided by the federal Endangered Species Act, these animals continue to be at risk. The fines for crimes against these creatures is minor compared to the huge loss in which they result. In order to protect endangered species from future harassment and death, greater penalties need to be imposed.

The purpose of this Act is to:

- (1) Establish the intentional or knowing taking of an endangered species as a class C felony; and
- (2) Provide a private right of action against persons who violate the laws or rules regarding the conservation of aquatic life, wildlife, and land plants, which includes the protection of endangered species.

I agree heartily with these premises and ask this legislature to pass this bill,

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