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HB2335

RELATING TO THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN ORGANIZATION NOTIFICATION LIST

House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

February 1, 2012

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Room: 329

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) offers the following comments on HB2335, which includes within OHA's statutory purposes, making accessible the most recent version of the federal Native Hawaiian Organization Notification List.

The bill envisions that the accessibility it aims to provide would help the federal Department of the Interior and other agencies to locate, communicate, and consult with interested Native Hawaiian organizations pursuant to various federal laws. The bill further envisions that added accessibility of the list would promote networking, articulation, and collaboration among Native Hawaiian organizations.

While we support the goals stated in the bill, we are concerned that the bill may not be necessary and could even be counterproductive. The notification list is already available on-line through the Department of the Interior. Furthermore, the list is not necessarily comprehensive and should be viewed only as a guide. Codifying OHA as the state source of the "most recent version" of the list could be confusing and give a misleading impression of the comprehensiveness of the list.

We look forward to productive discussions with your Committee as to the desirability of this bill.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Leimana DaMate, Executive Director of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee, will be present at the committee hearing to answer questions on our behalf if need be. Mahalo.



Vanda Hanakahi, Aha Moku Advisory Committee

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT

OF HB 2335

RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIAN ROLL COMMISSION

House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

Wednesday, Feb.1, 2012, 8:30 a.m.., Rm 329

Aloha Chair Galuteria, Vice Chair Ryan and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 2335. On behalf of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee and Councils we believe that while the Commission needs to verify, through certain documents, the validity of individuals to be included in the roll, it is important to also protect the dignity and privacy of those same individuals.

We ask that HB 2335 pass as is.

Mahalo nui loa!

Vanda Hanakahi, Chair, Moloka'i

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