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**Testimony of
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**Before the House Committee on
AGRICULTURE**

**Friday, February 10, 2012
9:00 A.M.
State Capitol, Conference Room 312**

**In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 2429
RELATING TO THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE**

House Bill 2429 seeks to allow ex officio members of the Board of Agriculture to designate a representative to attend Board meetings in their place. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports this Administrative measure.

The Chairperson of the Department serves on numerous boards and commissions, including the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Commission on Water Resource Management, the Kahoolawe Island Reserve Commission, and the aforementioned Board of Agriculture. However there could arise instances when the Chairperson of the Department is unable to attend meetings due to a conflict in schedule or illness. This measure would permit a designated representative of the Department to continue to participate in discussions and decisions of the Board of Agriculture.

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