

HB2528

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

House Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources
House Committee on Housing

February 15, 2012

9:00 a.m.

Room 325

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) <u>SUPPORTS</u> HB2528, which extends the sunset date of 2010's Act 187 from 2012 to 2015.

This bill allows the Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL) to begin contruction on its projects without having full capital costs on hand. This puts DHHL on financial footing that is similar to that of other developers who are managing multiple projects. This would enable DHHL to provide enhanced service to its beneficiaries, who are also OHA's beneficiaries.

Therefore, OHA urges the committee to PASS HB2528. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.



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TESTIMONY OF PRESIDENT SOULEE STROUD

HOUSE BILL 2528 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

JOINT COMMITTEES OF WATER, LAND & OCEAN RESOURCES and HOUSING

Wednesday; February 15, 2012; 9:00 a.; Rm. 325

Aloha Chairman Chang of the Water, Land and Ocean Resources Committee, Madam Chair Cabanilla of the Committee on Housing, and members of the joint committees. I am Soulee Stroud, president of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs testifying in support of House Bill 2528 Relating to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. I represent sixty component clubs in all areas and counties of the State of Hawaii, as well as eleven states on the continent.

The first Hawaiian Civic Club was founded by Prince Kuhio as a means to help with the passage of the Hawaiian Homes Act in the U.S. Congress in 1920. There is a natural affiliation with the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands that has continued since that time and many civic club members are currently homesteaders or lease applicants.

This bill is another of several attempts by the current HHL administration to alleviate the extensive waiting list of applicants for residential leases. This would allow the development of a housing project to begin without the need to have the entire cost of the project on hand at the first turn of a shovel.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. We urge the passage of this bill.

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Comments: Aloha,

This measure to support DHHL has been tried in the past to provide pilot programs and was an utter failure for the native hawaiians for there was no DHHL to administer, implement, and most of all guide the programs for the betterment of the native Hawaiians seeking housing. We do not support this bill on squandering dollars for DHHL. For without the help of the Big Island native Hawaiians impute to make this pono, the programs will once again fail by this system for the nation. We can be reached on our email address.

Me ka Ha'aha'a Samson Brown, President Aupuni O Hawaii

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