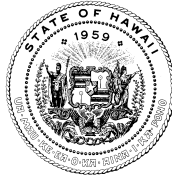


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TESTIMONY OF ALAPAKI NAHALE-A, CHAIRMAN
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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
IN SUPPORT OF

HB 2529 HD 1 SD 1, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

March 29, 2012

Chair Ige, Vice-Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands strongly supports HB 2529 HD 1 SD 1, which allows the department to create its own procurement requirements for any expenditure of trust funds less than \$100,000. This bill is part of the Governor's administrative package by request of our department.

The department currently operates without the support of general funds, and depends wholly on its trust fund resources. Procurement flexibility on small purchases allows the department to expend trust funds more efficiently to better respond to and address the needs of trust beneficiaries. This flexibility would maintain fairness and transparency, while reducing barriers for Hawaiian homestead associations and organizations to compete as vendors and service providers.

We support the amendment in the Senate Draft 1 to limit this flexibility to purchases up to \$100,000. Since the beginning of

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Fiscal Year 2010, our department has procured 81 contracts under this threshold from one of our trust funds, accounting for about \$1.6 million per fiscal year.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in strong support of this important measure.

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Aloha kakou,

Mahalo for this opportunity to provide continuing STRONG SUPPORT for HB 2529 HD1 SD1 Relating to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

This bill will facilitate the DHHL in meeting their mission goals, of building Hawaiian homestead communities, by expediting their procurement process. Although I preferred the \$250,000 cap, I'm appreciative of the reduced \$100,000 as amended in SD1.

Me ka ha' aha'a,
Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai

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