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TESTIMONY OF ALAPAKI NAHALE-A, CHAIRMAN HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS IN SUPPORT OF

HB 2530, RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY REVENUE

February 1, 2012

Chair Hanohano, Vice-Chair Lee and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands strongly supports HB 2530, which identifies supplemental sources of revenue from renewable energy for the Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund. This bill is part of the Governor's administrative package by request of our department.

The Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund (NHRF) is a Hawaiian Home Lands trust fund that supports higher education scholarships, financial literacy training and counseling, agricultural and pastoral technical assistance, and community grants for native Hawaiians. The State Constitution secures 30% of the state revenues from lands previously cultivated as sugarcane lands and water licenses for this fund, but there has been a 94% decline in the revenue stream since this constitutional amendment was enacted in 1978.

This proposal identifies 20% of geothermal royalties and 30% of lease rents derived from Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) dispositions to renewable energy producers on DLNR lands as new revenue sources from renewable energy development activities that are expected to grow over the next decade. Since the geothermal royalties are already allocated to the DLNR, the county in which the geothermal project operates, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, this measure proposes to increase the geothermal royalty rate from 10% to 12% to maintain the royalty sums available to these entities.

In consideration of the conclusion of the Act 14 settlement payments and the limited alternative revenue sources, the passage of this measure ensures the availability of resources to carry out the intent of Section 1, Article XII of the State Constitution and the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act.

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

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ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS TESTIMONY OF PRESIDENT SOULEE STROUD

HOUSE BILL 2530 RE: TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2011; 8:30 a.; Rm. 329

Aloha Madame Chair Hanohano, Vice Chair Lee and members of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs. The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs has an annual convention and we receive resolutions submitted by our clubs then debate the issues as they come before us. We often have resolutions and discussion with regard to the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust, as well as the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

The positions that we take in public testimony before you has in most cases been debated and voted upon by our membership at convention and according to our internal procedures. On occasion, due to time constraints, our Board of Directors will take positions on behalf of the membership.

This bill correlates directly to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1929, the demise of the sugar industry in Hawaii and the State constitution that provided revenue to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands from receipts of sugar lands and water licenses. Former sugar lands are now managed by the Agribusiness Development Corporation and have not generated comparative revenue. Consequently, deposits to the Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund have declined by sixty-seven percent from 1994 – 2007. Another source of funding is needed to continue to provide existing programs to native Hawaiians, native Hawaiian families and Hawaiian homestead communities.

This bill would provide 20% of geothermal royalties collected by the State, and 30% of all revenue from the disposition of state lands to other renewable energy producers as stated in Section 171-95, HRS. This revenue would be deposited into the Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund and used for the rehabilitation of native Hawaiians as previously stated.

We urge support of this bill. Mahalo Contact: jalna.keala2@hawaiiantel.net

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