



## **Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs**

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TESTIMONY OF PRESIDENT SOULEE STROUD

### **HOUSE BILL 2531 (HSCR311-12) RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT**

House Committee on Finance  
Monday; February 27, 2012; 10:00a.m.; Rm. 308

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Aloha Chairman Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and members of the House Finance Committee.

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands are closely linked as the original Civic club was founded in 1918 by Prince Kuhio to assist with his Congressional agenda here in Hawaii. A number of our civic club members are also Hawaiian Homesteaders and it is true that many of them have been on the waiting list for many years.

We urge passage of this bill that would allow the Chairman of the Commission to suspend rules and award a lease to a native Hawaiian that has been on the waiting for more than twenty years, subject to the unanimous approval of the Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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