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Testimony for HAW/WLO 2/6/2012 9:00:00 AM HB2634

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Comments:

**TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2634, RELATING TO OFF-THE-GRID
PROGRAM**

House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs
Rep. Faye P. Hanohano, Chair
Rep. Chris Lee, Vice Chair

Native Hawaiian Initiatives, Aupuni O Hawaii

Monday, February 06, 2012, 9:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

Honorable Chair Hanohano and committee members,

Our (n) ative Hawaiian Organization is a grass root group whose mission is to address the condition of the (n) ative families within the communities on Hawaiian Home Lands. We were lucky to be chosen on having homes on Hawaiian Home Lands and yet we have families and friends who work for the chance to become homeowners and some with the means to purchase homes but could not wait for the slow hand of the system to become part of the Hawaiian Homes Community. This measure could address most of these problems on eligible houseless families whom rent outside of Hawaiian Home Lands but the labyrinth of governmental levies on the (n) ative Hawaiians is too much of a burden to support. We oppose this measure on the principle of more imminent encumbrance taxes for the (n) ative people on Hawaiian Home Lands.

For example, an exemption of a bldg. permit is restricted to a structure of sub-standard blue tarp special under the off-the-grid program with intent of a basic adequate infrastructural means that still has to meet the federal criterion (money spent by the lessee to accommodate a decent abode), so the next injudicious question is could this measure be amended to include federal regulations exemption on Hawaiian Home Lands? Hell, the state already trampled on HHCA, why stop there! §46 refer to an anchored dwelling with some exemption to land base, will the same apply to the off-the-grid program or are the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust plan is constrained to a different applicable directive. Also, this measure referred to Chapter 107, HRS that will be exempted from administrative constraints on Hawaiian Home Lands to build their provisional home, however, when they want to build an anchored structural home will the exemption still apply? I think not!

What we see is the continual bureaucratic double dipping to the unsuspecting future lessee that should be administered the proper way that was intended by the act and not by an agency that continues to skim off the backs of the potential leaseholder that does not benefit the (n) ative Hawaiian Community. Furthermore, when the provisional lessee is ready to upgrade their sub-standard lodging situation and join the mortgage deficit society, well incredulously to their already obligation they'll be back on the roll to start from Chapter 107 of the HRS to the house of their dreams and further into debt by an egregious system. Way to go!

We strongly object to this measure for the added encumbrance on the (n) ative Hawaiians for not the betterment its people but for the betterment of an egregious system that continues to add additional burdens of a long awaited people.

Me ka Ha'aha'a
Samson and Bill Brown
Aupuni O Hawaii, Board Members

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Comments:

Honorable Chairs Hanohano and Chang,

I am in support of this bill. I have an Aunt that applied for DHHL in her youth, received her award around her 40's but was waiting on infrastructure to be in place to build, then she retired on a fixed income when it was put in and now she lives in a care home. This is an all to familiar story when it comes to DHHL awards from the 80's & 90's.

As long as DHHL has placed good roads, we, Hawaiians are resourceful to be able to build our homes. Our ancestors built their homes to coincide with our cultural practices and belief systems. Traditional Hawaiian homes were built with the environment in mind, where the sun rose and set, how the winds blow etc. By allowing us to live off grid we can determine how best to set our home for the most sun, wind and rain exposure to be in harmony with our environment and means lower utility expenses for us.

I want to also THANK all of the Hawai'i Legislature this session for submitting and hearing the bills to improve the DHHL system. They are long overdue to allow a DHHL beneficiary to move through there system more effectively and efficiently.

Sincerely,
Crystal Kia Paul

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Testimony by President Soulee Stroud of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs on **HB2634**
Relating to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Monday, February 6, 2011; 9:00; Conf. Rm.
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ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

TESTIMONY OF PRESIDENT SOULEE STROUD

HOUSE BILL 2634

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

COMMITTEES ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS & WATER, LAND & OCEAN RESOURCES

Monday, February 6, 2011; Room 329

Aloha Madam Chair Hanohano, Chairman Chang and members of the Joint Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and Water, Land and Ocean Resources. I am Soulee Stroud, President of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs here with a few comments on this bill.

House Bill 2634 would require the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to develop and administer a program that would place eligible native Hawaiians on Homestead land without the benefit of utility infrastructure such as water and electricity. Section 1 of the bill speaks to the frustrations of those on the HHL waiting list and the delays in developing new homestead areas as perhaps a basic reason for this bill. Many of our civic club members are on that waiting list and we have also heard their pleas.

However, new HHL Chairman Nahale-a appeared before us, and as a lifelong homesteader himself, has made a commitment to try and alleviate the long waiting list with innovative programs and ideas. This bill may be premature, but will certainly act as an incentive to reduce the waiting list. We ask, therefore, that this bill be held at this time, and that adequate resources be provided to allow the HHL Chairman, Commission and staff to do the work foreseen by Prince Kuhio when he created the Hawaiian Homes Act of 1920. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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