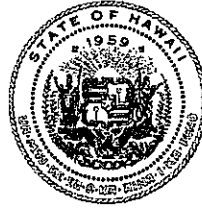


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**Before the House Committee on
FINANCE**

**Monday, February 27, 2012
10:00 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 308**

**In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 2808
RELATING TO KIKALA-KEOKEA**

House Bill 2808 finds that the lessees of the State lands in the Kikala-Keokea subdivision in Puna, Hawaii, have been unable to construct dwellings on their lots as required by their leases, due to lack of infrastructure in the area. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) appreciates the intent of this bill, but provides the following comments.

The State spent more than \$3,000,000 to construct the Kikala-Keokea subdivision with county standard roads, county water lines installed to the edge of each lot, and electrical and telephone utilities. While there is little development surrounding the subdivision, the subdivision itself has the necessary infrastructure for the lessees to proceed with construction of their dwellings.

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