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LATE TESTIMONY

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COMMITTEE(S): Committee on Education
ROOM: Conference Room 309
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Testimony in support of the intent of H.B. No. 625

Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Belatti, and Members of the Committee:

Aloha, I am Maunalei Love, executive director of the Charter School Administrative Office ("CSAO"). I want to thank the chair and the entire committee for the time and effort being spent addressing the facilities needs for public charter schools.

This bill enables the transfer of DOE lands that have not been used for school purposes for 20 consecutive years to the DLNR provided that charter schools or other education programs be given the highest priority as an alternative use of these lands prior to their transfer.

The CSAO continues to support the intent of this bill and any others that seek to provide charter schools with additional opportunities for access to facilities.

The CSAO is ready, willing, and able to help with any language that will strengthen this bill as it advances forward. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.