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TESTIMONY OF PRESIDENT SOULEE STROUD

SENATE BILL 2001, SD1(HSCR1001-12)

COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, March 21, 2012; 9:00; Room 329

Aloha Madam Chair Hanohano of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Vice Chair Lee and members of the committee. The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs is pleased to testify in support of Senate Bill 2001SD1. This bill amends Section 226-18, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by adding two new sections that: (1) Promote development of geothermal energy resources located on public trust land as an affordable and reliable source of firm power; and (2) Ensure that the development of energy resources on public trust land directly benefits native Hawaiian and the public beneficiaries of the trust. Simply put, these amendments open the door for a reliable source of power on Hawaii Island and provide resources to the public land trust.

SB2001SD1 goes further by adding that all indigenous renewable energy resources located on public trust land such as geothermal, tidal, wave, and ocean thermal energy conversion located on submerged lands within the public trust should be promoted and developed for Native Hawaiian and public beneficiaries of the trust.

At our 2011 convention a resolution addressing similar issues was debated and passed by the House of Delegates. Our Resolution 11-69 is entitled: **Urging the State of Hawaii to adopt an energy policy that moves the State toward energy independence by the development of public energy assets on ceded lands including the submerged lands and to fulfill its fiduciary obligation as a Trustee of the Public Trust, including undertaking an inventory of the energy assets of the ceded land trusts.**

We urge the passage of this bill. Mahalo.

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