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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 06, 2013
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Re: HB1387 RELATING TO ENDANGERED SPECIES.

I write in SUPPORT of this bill as it properly serves to inform the Administration, Legislature and the general public the status of endangered species in the State of Hawaii. Currently, there are at least two species that I am aware of that no longer requires the extraordinary protections afforded under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and should be delisted. For example, the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale has recovered beyond recovery goals established when listed. It is therefore, time for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary to be closed and the jurisdiction those waters returned to the people of the State of Hawaii as provided under the Hawaii State Constitution's Article 11 Section 6.

If the Administration, Legislature and general public are informed annually, as to the "numbers" of ESA listed species in Hawaii and find the species that have recovered, actions may be initiated to allow the people of Hawaii to recover our rights and privileges afforded under our State Constitution and not under a "national" mandate or initiative.

Respectfully Yours,

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