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Testimony of
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OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

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In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 20
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR STATE LIFEGUARDS

House Bill 20 proposes to appropriate \$200,000 to fund lifeguard services at Kua Bay, Kekaha Kai State Park on the Island of Hawaii. The Department of Land and Natural Resources supports this measure provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact the Department's priorities indicated in the Executive Budget.

The State does not have its own lifeguards, and contracts with the counties for those services at selected State Parks beaches. Currently each county provides lifeguards at one State Park beach. On the island of Hawaii, there are lifeguards at Hapuna Beach.