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### HB1920

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Glenn	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Testimony in Strong Support..

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**STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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**Testimony of  
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.  
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee  
WATER AND LAND**

**Friday, January 31, 2014  
9:15 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 325**

**In consideration of  
HOUSE BILL 1920  
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

House Bill 1920 proposes to add a new section to Chapter 171, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to require each division and office in the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to publish an annual report by electronic or online publication on the official website of the Department and to compile past such reports dating back to 1962 to present (52 years) and make all existing reports available in searchable and accessible format (presumably electronic) statewide. **The Department opposes this bill due to the large demand it will place upon current limited resources of funding and manpower.**

The Department notes that it already prepares some 28 annual reports. In addition, the Department prepares one-time reports requested by legislative act, budget provisos, and concurrent resolutions. The reports vary in size and content. Many of these reports require considerable amount of time and manpower (eg. Act 100, Session Laws of Hawaii 1999 - Report on Plans, Goals and Accomplishments).

The Department is responsible for managing and overseeing 1.3 million acres of public lands, 3 million acres of state ocean waters (including all fisheries, coral reefs, small boat facilities, and ocean recreation), all fresh water resources (including more than 376 streams and habitat and all ground water), historic and cultural sites, forest and watersheds, endangered species, all public beaches, dam safety, rock fall mitigation (on public lands), and public recreation, among others. The Department also regulates over 2 million acres of land in the Conservation District (public and private lands). The Department continually faces challenges with how to balance its functions and priorities given its limited funding and personnel. As such, the Department prefers that that time and manpower that would go into preparing the reports required in this bill continue to be used instead, toward addressing these functions and priorities.

**WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.**  
CHAIRPERSON  
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

**ESTHER KIA'AINA**  
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**WILLIAM M. TAM**  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR - WATER

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Cleon Bailey	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Hawaii State Legislators, Please rightfully consider this bill for an Act: HB 1920. I support this bill; whereby, I think it will bring some concurrent accountability to the DLNR state agency's governing actions and/or the lack thereof. I thank you for your time and dedication; wherein, you put forth during this current legislative session. Very truly yours, Cleon M. Bailey

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Comments: I strongly support HB 1920.

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