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Statement of
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before the
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

Monday, March 24, 2014
10:30 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

in consideration of

**HCR 110 and HR 81
REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND
TOURISM TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO RECOMMEND LEGISLATION
OR CHANGES TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULES TO DEVELOP CONTRACTUAL
OBLIGATIONS BETWEEN THE STATE AND COMMUNICATION AND
TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE PROVIDERS AS TO THE USE OF PUBLIC
LANDS FOR COMMUNICATION AND TELECOMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE.**

Chair Evans, Vice Chair Lowen, and Members of the Committee.

HCR 110 and HR 81 requests the DBEDT Director to convene a working group to develop standard provisions to be included in contractual agreements for the use of state public lands for communication and telecommunication hardware devices.

The working group is to request to conduct research and compile the current regulations and administrative rules on the issuance of leases, revocable permits, and any other legal contract that allows use of public lands for installation and operation of wireless communication and telecommunication platforms to create proposed legislation or changes to administrative rules.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) offers these comments on these resolutions. DBEDT does not have the capacity to carry out this project without additional staff and resources. DBEDT defers to the appropriate state agencies on issues of legal contracts and public land use.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on these resolutions.