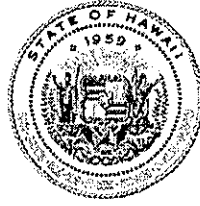
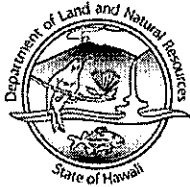


SB 2419

Requires the board of directors of the high technology development corporation to develop a sports-technology district. Designates certain properties to be included in the district. Establishes objectives and development guidance for the district.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND HOUSING
and
TECHNOLOGY AND THE ARTS

Monday, February 10, 2014
2:50 P.M.
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In consideration of
SENATE BILL 2419
RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Senate Bill 2419 proposes to require the High Technology Development Corporation ("HTDC") to develop a sports-technology district in the Halawa-Aiea area of Oahu. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources ("Department") has no objection to the bill, but offers the following comments.**

The Department is responsible for managing approximately 1.3 million acres of public lands including the State's unique and limited natural, cultural and historic resources held in public trust for current and future generations of the people of Hawaii nei. The Department's responsibilities include managing and maintaining the State's coastal lands and waters, water resources, conservation and forestry lands, historical sites, small boat harbors, parks, and recreational facilities; performing public safety duties (e.g., flood and rockfall prevention); issuing and managing leases of public lands (agriculture, pasture, commercial, industrial, and resort leases); maintaining unencumbered public lands; and enforcing the Department's rules/regulations. To properly perform these duties, the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) determined that the Department should utilize a portion of the lands it manages to generate revenues to support the Department's operations and programs.

Three of the parcels identified in the bill are under the Department's management. Tax Map Key ("TMK"): (1) 9-9-003-035 ("Parcel 35") is the site of the former Aiea pump house. The Department is working to remediate mercury contamination issues at this site. The other two parcels under the Department's management, TMKs: (1) 9-9-012:046 & 047, are presently vacant but encumbered by various utility easements. Once Parcel 35 is remediated, the

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Department will be looking to issue leases on the properties through the public process so that the lands can be put to productive use generating revenues to support the Department's broad mission. The Department believes that a sports-technology district may be an appropriate use of the lands, and would work with HTDC on any development plans that provided for revenue generation for the Department.

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RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chair Dela Cruz, Chair Wakai, and members of the respective Committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.B. 2419.

The Stadium Authority supports the intent of S.B. 2419 and as stated in the bill, will provide consultative services to the high technology development corporation board, as needed.

The Stadium Authority understands the value and benefit of working collaboratively to address the shared goal of increasing economic development and activity that would benefit the surrounding community, the Aloha Stadium, and the State as a whole.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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Chairs Dela Cruz and Wakai, Vice Chairs Slom and Nishihara, and Members of the Committees on Economic Development, Government Operations and Technology and the Arts.

The High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) offers **comments** on SB 2419 relating to Economic Development. HTDC supports innovation and technology development in any industry, including sports and athletics. HTDC has a core competency in technology and manufacturing. With limited resources HTDC suggests that our agency would be best suited in a support role for this initiative.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

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The HHFDC **offers the following comments** on S.B. 2419. HHFDC defers to the High Technology Development Corporation on the overall merits of S.B. 2419, which creates a sports technology district. However, HHFDC is willing to provide consultation assistance to the High Technology Development Corporation should it be adopted.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



Chamber of Commerce HAWAII
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RE: SENATE BILL NO. 2419 RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chairs Dela Cruz and Wakai, and Vice Chairs Slom and Nishihara, and members of the committees:

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii **supports** SB 2419 Relating to Economic Development.

The Chamber is the largest business organization in Hawaii, representing more than 1,000 businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of its members, which employ more than 200,000 individuals, to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

The Chamber supports continuing efforts to develop the innovation sector of our economy. A diversified economy is important to Hawaii's economic long term viability. This bill will help provide much needed mentoring, business development, and private-public capital for developing new business industries. This sports-technology district will create opportunities for investments in a booming and diverse economy.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.