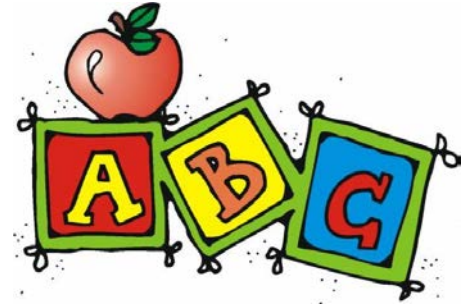


SCR113

PROPOSED SD1



Measure Title:

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU AND UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE POSSIBLE LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO THE FLOODING ISSUES AT KAHUKU HIGH AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Report Title:

Description:

Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: EDU/PSM/WTL

Introducer(s): HEE

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Date: 04/02/2014

Committee: Senate Education
Senate Public Safety
Senate Water and Land

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education

Title of Resolution: SCR 113,SD1 Proposed REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE POSSIBLE LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO THE FLOODING ISSUES AT KAHUKU HIGH AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Purpose of Resolution:

Department's Position:

The Department of Education **supports the intent** of this resolution. Flooding in the Kahuku area has been occurring for many years and is a recurring concern. Because of the regional nature of this issue, it is important that all parties be brought together in a collaborative manner to come up with regional solutions that all parties involved must come to agreement on. This resolution would be a good framework to accomplish this.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
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Testimony of
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson

Before the Senate Committees on
EDUCATION
and
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
and
WATER AND LAND

Wednesday, April 2, 2014
1:30 P.M.
State Capitol, Conference Room 414

In consideration of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 113, PROPOSED SENATE DRAFT 1
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF LAND
AND NATURAL RESOURCES, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU AND UNITED
STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO
EXAMINE POSSIBLE LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO THE FLOODING ISSUES AT
KAHUKU HIGH AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Senate Concurrent Resolution 113, Proposed Senate Draft 1, requests various federal, state and county agencies and community representatives to convene a working group to examine possible long-term solutions to the flooding issues at Kahuku High and Intermediate School. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources supports the intent of this resolution and is willing to participate in such a working group.**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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

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Although the DOE put aside money to be used for flood mitigation it was never matched by the federal government. As a result Kahuku High School's track and field have languished. The school, the community and complex area, and the DOE have tried since the great flood of 1990-1991 to bring change. As an educator and a citizen living in Koolauloa I ask that

you **please pass this Senate Resolution.** We need help and we are tired of waiting. It is an equity issue. Kahuku has some of the finest athletes in the United States. They deserve far more than they have to work with now and they do so much despite what they do not have. This resolution is a start. We cannot wait for another 23 years to achieve what our students need and deserve.

Thank you,
Lea Albert

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Submitted on: 4/2/2014

Testimony for EDU/PSM/WTL on Apr 2, 2014 13:30PM in Conference Room 414

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kent Fonoimoana	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Aloha Senators, thank you for your work on Senate Concurrent Resolution 113 that among other things, seeks to provide relief for Kahuku football field facilities. Our track and field have given us years of service despite the fact that it is constantly being flooded. I understand that the issue of flooding is a challenge that needs a long term solution that is yet to be developed. However, in the short-term, our sports program needs to remain viable as our home athletic events generate much needed funds for school programs. One concern I have is the unsafe condition of the bleachers which are heavily corroded. If this condition is not immediately addressed, there is a possibility that injury to one or many is possible. Or, the bleachers will be condemned and our community will not be able to hold events here at home. As I mentioned earlier, home events generate much needed funds for our school and to lose out on those funds would have lasting impacts and the quality of instruction for some of our more vulnerable students. I strongly urge you to pass this resolution as well as to seek immediate relief measures to timely resolve this safety hazard before our season begins in August. I have no doubt that together, our elected leaders and the Red Raider Nation can come together and find a short-term solution to this long standing issue. Mahalo nui for your attention on this matter. A hui hou- Kent Fonoimoana

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Renee Cabrinha	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support SCR113.

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Lara Cheney	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Robert Akoi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Senators, thank you for your work on Senate Concurrent Resolution 113 that seeks to provide relief for Kahuku football field facilities. Our track and field has given us years of service despite the fact that it is constantly being flooded. I understand that the issue of flooding is a challenge that needs a long term solution that is yet to be developed. However, in the short-term, our sports program needs to remain viable as our home athletic events generate much needed funds for school programs. One concern I have is the unsafe condition of the bleachers which are heavily corroded. If this condition is not immediately addressed, there is a possibility that injury to one or many is possible. Or, the bleachers will be condemned and our community will not be able to hold events here at home. As I mentioned earlier, home events generate much needed funds for our school and to lose out on those funds would have lasting impacts and the quality of instruction for some of our more vulnerable students. I strongly urge you to pass this resolution as well as to seek immediate relief measures to timely resolve this safety hazard before our season begins in August. I have no doubt that together, our elected leaders and the Red Raider Nation can come together and find a short-term solution to this long standing issue. Mahalo nui for your attention on this matter.

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I am a registered voter and I humbly ask you to pass and approve SD1.

Our Kahuku community doesn't need much to make us happy, but when our families are put in harms way, we will not stand by and let it happen. Kahuku High and Intermediate Schools bleachers and athletic field have deteriorated to the point that it has become a tremendous hazard. The conditions are unsuitable to use. For years we have been dealing with the massive problems with little tiny band aid solutions. It's time for by pass surgery.

SD1 proposes a working group to be organized in order to come up with a viable solution to the hazardous problem.

I support proposed SD1, and I urge you to pass and approve SD1!

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Noekealaokalehua Kahalepun

Erin Conner

Subject: FW: Proposed SD1

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Subject: Proposed SD1

I understand that at 1:30pm you will be in a hearing for the Proposed SD1.

I am a registered voter and I plea with you to **pass and approve SD1.**

Our Kahuku School athletic facilities are not only run down, but a hazard to our athletes and spectators. We have gone decades without improvement stating that there is nothing to be done because the field lies in a flood zone. We know what the problem is, let's come up with a solution! The "working group" which SD1 creates will be a great step towards finding a viable solution to this hazardous problem.

I urge you to pass and approve SD1!

Mahalo Nui Loa,

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joe Mauai	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support SCR113 As an alumni and former coach at Kahuku football for 10 years it has been as if nobody cares. That we don't even exist in Hawaii public school and belonging to the Hawaii Education system. We have been neglected for too long and ask humbly that you release funds so that we can continue to maintain not only the pride that we provide for our communities but the safety of protection need for our athletes and fans. We need more done to our athletic department such as the locker rooms especially the track and field. Thank you again this will have a big impact to our school mostly to students that will use it.

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destiny Schwenke	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Kahuku High School deserves what ever funds it could receive to improve its school.

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