# **SCR 13**

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## Statement of LUIS P. SALAVERIA Director

Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism before the

#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND AGRICULTURE

March 2, 2016 at 2:45 p.m. State Capitol, Room 224

#### In consideration of

- S.C.R. 10 APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 41-648 INOAOLE STREET, WAIMANALO, HAWAII;
- S.C.R. 11 APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 47-394 KEOHAPA PLACE, KANEOHE, HAWAII;
- S.C.R. 12 APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 95-029 KUAHELANI AVENUE, NO. 128, MILILANI, HAWAII; and
- S.C.R. 13 APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 94-946 MEHEULA PARKWAY, NO. 264, MILILANI, HAWAII.

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Nishihara, and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture.

DBEDT <u>supports</u> S.C.R. 10 through S.C.R. 13, all part of the Administration's legislative package. HHFDC is seeking legislative approval to sell the leased fee interest in these homes to their respective leasehold owners. HHFDC has met all statutory prerequisites to request approval of the sale of these parcels.

Accordingly, DBEDT respectfully requests that the Committee pass these concurrent resolutions. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



#### SCR13 APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 94-946 MEHEULA PARKWAY, NO. 264, MILILANI, HAWAII.

Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) offers the following <u>COMMENTS</u> on SCR13, which approves the sale of the leased fee interest in an apartment in the Nahoa Apartments affordable housing condominium complex. This parcel does not appear to be "ceded" land and OHA does not oppose the sale of this parcel.

SCR13 was offered for consideration by the Legislature in accordance with Act 176, Session Laws of Hawai'i (SLH) 2009, and Act 169, SLH 2011, as amended. Act 176 requires a two-thirds majority approval by both houses of the Legislature before any specific lands controlled by the state can be sold. In addition, state departments must prepare and submit legislative resolutions containing detailed information regarding their anticipated land transactions, and share these resolutions with OHA at least three months prior to the opening of the legislative session. See HRS §§ 171-64.7(c). This three months' detailed notice provides OHA with sufficient time to determine whether the land being sold constitutes "ceded" Hawaiian Kingdom crown or government lands. This process also provides OHA, legislators, as well as members of the public sufficient time to ensure that the contemplated sale is fair, equitable, and in the best interests of the state.

The language of SCR13 was provided to OHA in compliance with the three month notice requirement for the proposed disposition of public lands. This allowed OHA to independently confirm that the parcel being proposed for sale is not comprised of "ceded" lands. Accordingly, OHA does not oppose this sale.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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#### **SCR13**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Craig K. Hirai	HHFDC	Support	Yes	

#### Comments:

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March 1, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Rachel Masada, I reside at 94-946 Meheula Parkway Apartment 264, Mililani, Hawaii 96789. I am in support of the approval for the sell of the leased fee interest of 94-946 Meheula Parkway Apartment 264, Mililani, Hawaii.

Sincerely, Rachel Masada