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## Before the Senate Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

Wednesday, March 16, 2016 9:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

## In consideration of SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 19, SENATE DRAFT 1 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KUKUIULA, KOLOA, KAUAI, FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF THE EXISTING ROCK SEAWALL, AND FOR THE USE, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON

Senate Concurrent Resolution 19, Senate Draft 1 requests the authorization to issue a term, nonexclusive easement for an estimated 535 square feet, more or less, located on state submerged lands identified as tax map key (4) 2-6-012:seaward of 001, at Kukuiula, Koloa, Kauai, for the maintenance and repair of the existing rock seawall and for the use, maintenance, and repair of the existing improvements constructed thereon, pursuant to Section 171-53, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this concurrent resolution.

The current owner of the abutting landward property, David G. Jorgensen and Annette Thatcher Jorgensen, Trustees of the David and Annette Jorgensen Revocable Trust, worked with the Department to resolve the encroachment. The encroachment was identified on state lands located makai of the shoreline and such area should be considered as submerged lands. As required by Section 171-53, HRS, the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) may lease submerged lands "with the prior approval of the Governor and the prior authorization of the Legislature by concurrent resolution". At its meeting on November 14, 2014, under agenda item D-2, the Board approved the issuance of a term, non-exclusive easement for purposes stated above.

The grantee shall pay the State the fair market value of the easement as consideration for the use of public lands. The amount of consideration shall be determined by an independent appraisal.