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Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
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Before the House Committee on
Water & Land

Friday, February 2, 2018
9:30 am
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 2197
RELATING TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION

House Bill 2197 proposes to (1) Authorize the Land Use Commission (LUC) to monitor and evaluate the enforcement of laws on conservation lands by the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department); and (2) Require the LUC to submit an annual report regarding the effectiveness of efforts by the Department to enforce laws regarding conservation land. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) opposes this measure.**

Section 183C-3(7) (Powers and duties of the board and department) Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), identifies the Board of Land and Natural Resources and the Department as having the power to establish and enforce land use regulations on conservation district lands. Chapter 205, HRS, establishes the LUC to set boundaries for districts and classification of lands in Hawai'i. This measure appears to give the LUC the responsibility to monitor and evaluate the enforcement of laws on conservation lands by the Department, without any explanation or rationale.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Todd, and members of the Committee on Water and Land:

The Land Use Commission supports the intent of HB 2197 in that it seeks to strengthen the monitoring and enforcement of activity within the State land use districts. We defer to the Department of Land and Natural Resources as the designated authority within the State Conservation District for specifics. However, the annual reporting requirement included in the measure would be difficult to accomplish given the Commission's current staff and resources.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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Testimony for WAL on 2/2/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.	Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu	Support	No

Comments:

I support the Land Use Commission monitor and evaluate the enforcement of laws on conservation lands by the Department of Land and Natural Resources. And require the Land Use Commission submit an annual report to the Legislature regarding its findings.

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Submitted on: 2/2/2018 9:33:55 AM

Testimony for WAL on 2/2/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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Comments:

We want to provide comments. As beneficiaries pursuant to Section 5(f) of the Admissions act of 1959, we are concerned that there is no mention of OHA in this bill. We just went through hearings regarding OHA's bill seeking the Ur PRO RATA share of the revenues from State agencies such as DLNR. All we have received from DLNR is excuses as to why they don't provide the required monies to OHA. If this bill seeks DLNR enforce particular laws, they should be informed that there is laws regarding monies to be paid to OHA. Mahalo.

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