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Melodie Aduja	Testifying for OCC Legislative Priorities Committee, Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

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Nainoa Mau	Testifying for Friends of the Library of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

Friends of the Library of Hawai'i (FLH) supports housekeeping changes to HRS 312-3.7 and HRS 312-3.8 that would reduce the burden of substantial fees for the organization to hold a minimal amount of funds with a trust company. The annual fees are currently over 25% of funds held. FLH respectfully requests the removal of the trust language and requirement. Rather than being called the "trust fund," FLH would account for these funds in a "program fund." The funds could instead be accounted for in an FDIC bank account and the thousands of dollars used for fees could be put to better use in support of our public libraries.

FLH also supports changing the name of our organization throughout. The Hawaii Library Foundation is now Friends of the Library of Hawaii following a merger of the two organizations in 2004.

FLH also supports the housekeeping changes proposed for the Hawaii State Public Library System.