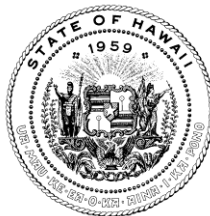


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**Before the Senate Committees on  
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and  
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT**

**Wednesday, February 14, 2018  
1:20 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In consideration of  
SENATE BILL 2911  
RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL DUE DILIGENCE**

Senate Bill 2911 proposes to appropriate out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the department of land and natural resources to conduct a phase I environmental site assessment, and, if necessary, a phase II environmental site assessment and suitable environmental remediation at the former Lalamilo reservoir site on the Island of Hawaii as due diligence for a proposed land exchange for relocation of a public library. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this measure with amendment, provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Supplemental Budget request.**

The Department suggests the following amendment to SECTION 1 of the measure to complete the description of due diligence for the subject land exchange.

SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the department of land and natural resources to conduct a phase I

environmental site assessment and, if necessary, a phase II environmental site assessment and suitable environmental remediation at the former Lalamilo reservoir site on the island of Hawaii as due diligence [~~for a proposed~~] to include any and all common transaction costs, including, but not limited to, Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments, and any subsequent environmental site remediation, abatement and disposal, as may be warranted, site planning and consultant fees, title reports and title insurance, any and all appraisal costs, land surveys, maps and descriptions, any entitlement or encumbrance costs, escrow fees, recordation fees, costs of any and all public notification, including public notice pursuant to Section 171-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and including any and all other necessary transaction fees concerning the Lalamilo reservoir site land exchange transaction which includes both the State parcel to be conveyed by the State and the private land to be acquired by the State for relocation of a public library.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

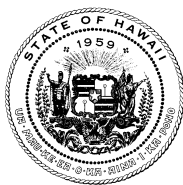
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**S.B. 2911 – Relating to Environmental Due Diligence**

To: Chair Rhoads, Vice-Chair Gabbard and Members of the Committee on Water and Land

Chair Gabbard, Vice-Chair Riviere and Members of the Committee on Agriculture and Environment

The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) **strongly supports** S.B. 2911, which makes an appropriation for the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to conduct an environmental assessment and suitable remediation, as necessary, at the former Lalamilo reservoir site on the island of Hawaii.

The appropriation set forth in S.B. 2911 is needed to conduct required due diligence work in order for the State to move forward with a proposed land exchange in the Waimea area of the island of Hawaii. In exchange for the former Lalamilo reservoir site, the State would receive a parcel of land that would be used to eventually replace the current Thelma Parker Memorial Public and School Library (Library). The current Library site is co-located on the Waimea Elementary School campus, causing safety concerns for both the school and the Library, as well as issues relating to access to both campuses due to insufficient parking. HSPLS appreciates DLNR's support in identifying property for the Library's future needs.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.