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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

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

**Monday, February 11, 2019
2:45 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In consideration of
SENATE BILL 1254
RELATING TO THE ENDANGERED SPECIES TRUST FUND**

Senate Bill 1254 expands the type of revenue that can be deposited into the Endangered Species Trust Fund. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports this Administration measure.**

Under Section 195D-31(a)(3), Hawaii Revised Statutes, only fees and assessments charged for the "commercial" use of public land and waters designated for the Endangered Species Trust Fund are deposited into that fund. Certain other types of revenues, such as parking fees, would not qualify.

By repealing the word "commercial," the bill seeks to expand the type of revenue that the Department could charge to create additional revenue for endangered species protection. This could provide multiple opportunities for the Department to find innovative funding mechanisms.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mark Fox	Testifying for The Nature Conservancy	Support	Yes

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Erica Scott	Individual	Support	No

Comments: