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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
WAYS AND MEANS**

**Monday, February 25, 2019
10:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 211**

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

Senate Bill 1254 proposes to expand 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
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i	Support	No

Comments:

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Andrea Quinn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support SB1254. Hawaii is known as the “endangered species capital of the world” and we must therefore take measures to do what we can to support endangered species.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

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