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TESTIMONY BY CRAIG K. HIRAI  
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS  
ON  
SENATE BILL NO. 2061, S.D. 1

**February 11, 2020  
10:40 a.m.  
Room 211**

**RELATING TO CONSERVATION**

The Department of Budget and Finance offers comments on Senate Bill (S.B.) No. 2061, S.D. 1.

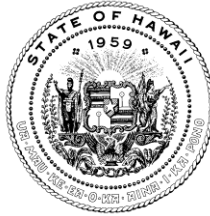
S.B. No. 2061, S.D. 1, establishes the No Child Left Inside Grant Program within the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to provide resources for outdoor education and recreation programs for children. The bill also establishes the No Child Left Inside Grant Program Special Fund for the purpose of awarding grants and administering the program. The special fund would generate revenues through legislative appropriations, gifts, donations, grants, moneys, and interest earnings and would be administered by the DLNR. The bill does not contain an appropriation for the special fund.

As a matter of general policy, the department does not support the creation of any special fund that does not meet the requirements of Section 37-52.3, HRS. Special funds should: 1) serve a need as demonstrated by the purpose, scope of work, and an explanation why the program cannot be implemented successfully under the general

fund appropriation process; 2) reflect a clear nexus between the benefits sought and charges made upon the users or beneficiaries or a clear link between the program and the sources of revenue; 3) provide an appropriate means of financing for the program or activity; and 4) demonstrate the capacity to be financially self-sustaining. In regard to S.B. No. 2061, S.D. 1, it is difficult to determine whether the proposed special fund would be self-sustaining or why the program cannot be implemented under the general fund appropriation process.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

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**Before the Senate Committees on  
WATER & LAND  
and  
WAYS & MEANS**

**Tuesday, February 11, 2020  
10:40 AM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 211**

**In consideration of  
SENATE BILL 2061 SENATE DRAFT 1  
RELATING TO CONSERVATION**

Senate Bill 2061 Senate Draft 1, proposes to appropriate funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to establish the no child left inside grant program. **The Department supports this measure provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Supplemental Budget request.**

The Department recognizes the benefits that outdoor education and recreation have on the health, wellbeing, and academic success of our youth. The Department notes that there are 'āina-based educational programs with non-profit organizations statewide that could be valuable partners to this program. The Department also notes that establishing and administering a no child left inside program would require additional budgetary funding as well as personnel resources.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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**SB-2061-SD-1**

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