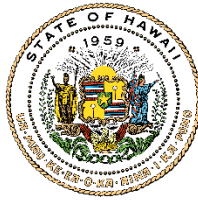


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**Testimony of  
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**Before the House Committee on  
JUDICIARY & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Tuesday, February 13, 2024  
2:00 p.m.**

**State Capitol, Conference Room 325 & Videoconference**

**In consideration of  
HOUSE BILL 1781, HOUSE DRAFT 1  
RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

House Bill 1781, House Draft 1 proposes to establish the Panaewa Community Development District under the Hawaii Community Development Authority. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources provides the following comments on the bill.**

The following table shows the size and current disposition of the five parcels listed in the bill that would constitute the proposed development district:

<b>Tax Map Key:</b>	<b>Acreage</b>	<b>Current Disposition</b>
(3) 2-4-049:018	10.875	Executive Order (EO) 3524 to the Department of Public Safety for Hale Nani Work Release Center
(3) 2-4-049:017	12.683	EO4300 to the Department of Agriculture (DOA) for agriculture purposes
(3) 2-4-049:033	4.264	Unencumbered in conservation district
(3) 2-4-049:016	34.954	Unencumbered in conservation district
(3) 2-4-049:032	9.079	EO4300 to DOA for agriculture purposes

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

**HB-1781-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/12/2024 11:10:05 AM

Testimony for JHA on 2/13/2024 2:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Russell Tsuji	Department of Land and Natural Resources	Comments	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

Written testimony from DLNR previously submitted on another Capitol account. Request for a Zoom link for additional DLNR staff testifying remotely for HB1781 HD1.



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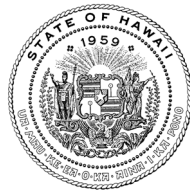
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In consideration of  
**HB 1781**  
**RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.**

Chair Tarnas, Vice Chair Takayama, and members of the Committee. The Hawai'i Community Development Authority (HCDA) **supports** this bill which establishes the Panaewa community development district to allow for planning, development, and maintenance of public lands in Panaewa, Hilo, Hawai'i.

If this bill becomes law, we look forward to working with the bill's supporters to understand their vision for the new community development district.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our thoughts.



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TESTIMONY BY LUIS P. SALAVERIA  
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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
ON  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1781, H.D. 1

**February 13, 2024**  
**2:00 p.m.**  
**Room 325 and Videoconference**

RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) offers comments on this bill.

House Bill (H.B.) No. 1781, H.D. 1, establishes the Panaewa Community Development District (PCDD) under the Hawai'i Community Development Authority (HCDA) to allow for the planning, development, and maintenance of public lands in Panaewa, Hawai'i; establishes the Panaewa Community Development District Special Fund (PCDDSF) for HCDA to administrate and operate the PCDD; and amends the membership of the HCDA to include representatives for the PCDD. The PCDDSF would generate revenue from the PCDD, legislative appropriations, and by collecting other funds from government agencies and private individuals or organizations.

As a matter of general policy, B&F does not support the creation of any special fund which 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. Regarding H.B. No. 1781, H.D. 1, it is difficult to determine whether the proposed special fund would be self-sustaining.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

**HB-1781-HD-1**

Submitted on: 2/11/2024 11:11:19 AM

Testimony for JHA on 2/13/2024 2:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Regina Gregory	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Assumes the people of Panaewa want "development," which usually has more negative consequences than positive ones.