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Statement of  
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before the  
**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Tuesday, February 28, 2023  
10:00AM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 308

In consideration of  
**HB953 HD1**  
**RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.**

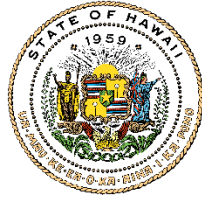
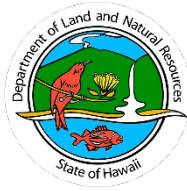
Chair Yamashita, Vice Chair Kitagawa and members of the Committee. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) would like to provide comments on HB953 HD1. This bill provides funds to DLNR to create a website that contains all the necessary applications for recreational and commercial use of DLNR lands, including film permits.

We defer to DLNR on the substantive areas of the bill. DBEDT's Hawaii Film Office (HFO) is the one-stop shop for the majority of State film permits on all islands. HFO has been working with the state's designated vendor, NIC, for the past year to create an online Standard Film Permit application. This online application is targeted to go live in March 2023. We recommend DLNR integrate this film permitting system, into the new website, rather than creating a separate film permit application. This provides both agencies and the public they serve with one central online portal. Both HFO and DLNR can provide a link on their respective sites to further provide information and application processes for all applicants.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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**Testimony of  
DAWN N. S. CHANG  
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on  
FINANCE**

**Tuesday, February 28, 2023  
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**State Capitol, Conference Room 308, Via Videoconference**

**In consideration of  
HOUSE BILL 953, HOUSE DRAFT 1  
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

House Bill 953, House Draft 1 proposes to require the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to develop and publish a website that includes the application processes for a permit, license, or reservation needed to conduct recreational and commercial activities in the State that are regulated by or under the jurisdiction of the Department. The bill also proposes to require the Department to convert existing application processes into a digital format for the website and appropriate funds for establishing the website. **The Department supports this measure.**

The Department will submit to the Legislature by December 1, 2023, a report regarding its implementation of this measure. The Department respects the website improvements identified in House Bill 953, House Draft 1 that advance government engagement.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this measure.

**HB-953-HD-1**

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Comments:

In support of only if it's programmed from the perspective of efficiency of use.

For example, the <https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov> website takes 5-6 steps to accomplish tasks (like submitting testimony) when it could have been programmed to take 1-2 steps. Also, there is no way to submit more than one testimony at time when a table format could have been programmed to save time, effort and my repetitive stress. This website is very frustrating, tedious and time consuming for those of us interested in using it daily.

Another factor is that it shouldn't take minutes for any pages to load.

Just trying to say here if it's going to be implemented now is the time to design it from an ease and efficiency-of-use standpoint.