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Statement of  
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**House Committee on Finance**  
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In consideration of  
**HB 207 HD1**  
**RELATING TO TRAINING**

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and members of the Committee on Finance:

The Land Use Commission strongly supports HB 207 HD1 in that it provides the Land Use Commission (LUC) with training that is incredibly valuable for staff who must advise commissions and non-expert commissioners who deal with public trust issues involving Hawaiian traditional and customary rights, water, natural and archaeological resources, and burials.

These trainings have been cost-effective (offered at no cost to the agency), time-efficient, and at least for the LUC, highly relevant to the legal issues and the type of findings they are required to make in their decisions and orders. LUC staff and several of our past commissioners have attended OHA-sponsored training sessions with unanimous agreement as to their value and utility.

The LUC will continue to take advantage of such training opportunities for our staff and commissioners in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.