

Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment  
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**MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT**

**DATE:** Wednesday, February 21, 2024

**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** Virtual Meeting

560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Honolulu, HI 96817

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**AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Unfinished Business
  - A. 2024 OHA State Legislative Bill Package - Matrix 1\*\*
  - B. 2024 OHA State Legislature Bill Positions Related to Measures Naming OHA - Matrix 2\*\*
  - C. 2024 OHA State Legislature Bill Positions Related to Measures Affecting Native Hawaiians - Matrix 3\*\*
- III. Announcements
- IV. Adjournment

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†Notice: The 72 Hour rule, pursuant to OHA BOT Operations Manual, Section 49, shall be waived for distribution of new committee materials.

**Public Testimony will be called for each agenda item and must be limited to those matters listed on the meeting agenda. Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Chapter 92, Public Agency Meetings and Records, prohibits Board Members from discussing or taking action on matters not listed on the meeting agenda.**

Testimony can be provided to the OHA Board of Trustees either as: (1) *written testimony emailed* at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting, (2) *written testimony mailed* and received at least two business days prior to the scheduled meeting, or (3) live, *oral testimony online or at the physical meeting location* during the virtual meeting.

- (1) Persons wishing to provide *written testimony* on items listed on the agenda should submit testimony via *email* to [BOTmeetings@oha.org](mailto:BOTmeetings@oha.org) at least **24 hours prior** to the scheduled meeting or via *postal mail* to Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Attn: Meeting Testimony, 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817 **to be received at least two business days prior** to the scheduled meeting. Any testimony received after these deadlines will be late testimony and will be distributed to the Board members after the scheduled meeting.

- (2) Persons wishing to provide *oral testimony online* during the virtual meeting must first register at:  
[https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_Dx9x0F2DQLGSCG\\_IR51vBw](https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Dx9x0F2DQLGSCG_IR51vBw)  
You need to register if you would like to orally testify online. Once you have completed your registration, a confirmation email will be sent to you with a link to join the virtual meeting, along with further instructions on how to provide oral testimony during the virtual meeting.

To provide oral testimony online, you will need:

- (1) a computer or mobile device to connect to the virtual meeting;
- (2) internet access; and
- (3) a microphone to provide oral testimony.

Oral testimony by telephone/landline **will not** be accepted at this time. Once your oral testimony is completed, you will be asked to disconnect from the meeting. If you do not sign off on your own, support staff will remove you from the Zoom meeting. You can continue to view the remainder of the meeting on the livestream or by telephone, as provided at the beginning of this agenda.

- (3) Persons wishing to provide *oral testimony at the physical meeting location* can sign up the day-of the



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meeting at the physical meeting location.

Oral testimony online or at the physical meeting location will be limited to five (5) minutes.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kaleihikina Akaka".

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Trustee Kaleihikina Akaka, Chair  
Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment

**2/15/2024**

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Date