

PIG HUNTERS ASSOCIATION OF OAHU PH: 845-8701

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Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture & Hawaiian Affaires LATETESTINONY

RE: Access to Public Hunting Areas; Easement; Appropriation (\$) February 11, 2008, 2:30 p.m.
Conference Room 414 at 2:30 p.m.

As President of the Pig Hunters Association of Oahu, I am in favor SB 2755. At present I know of only three area that need access by the hunting community. Mokule'ia Public Hunting Area. The entrance is controlled by Eddie Silva's ranch. Wailupe Public Hunting Area. Access is controlled by Board of Water Supply. A letter was sent by Division of Forest and Wildlife (DOFAW-DLNR) to permit access for the hunting community several years ago. No reply. I ask my councilman Rod Tam to follow up on this letter. It was sent to the wrong department. He sent a letter to permit the pig hunters access through their property. I receive one phone call. No reply to this date. Waimano Public Hunting Area. Vehicular access is not permitted to the back gate of Waimano Home to go to the hunting area. You must walk approximately one mile to the hunting area. Part of the trail is unimprove. Department of Health have control of this property.

Presently the feral pig population is increasing and migrating into the residential area looking for food. We must have DLNR revive the Hunting Advisory Council to address the concern of the residents and the hunting community. They must communicate with the Private, Military and Board of Water Supply. to permit organize hunt to control the feral pig population.on their property to include Department of Land & Natural Resources.

I urge the committee to pass SB 2755. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. If you should have any question or require clarification on this matter, please do no hesitate to call me at (808) 845-8701.

Sincerely,

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