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Finance Hearing
March 4, 2009 at 10:00am
Agenda #1

To: Representative Marcus R. Oshiro
Chair, Finance Committee
Representative Marilyn B. Lee
Vice-Chair, Finance Committee
And Members of the Finance Committee

From: The Children of Kawaiāhāo Church School

Re: **Testimony in Support**

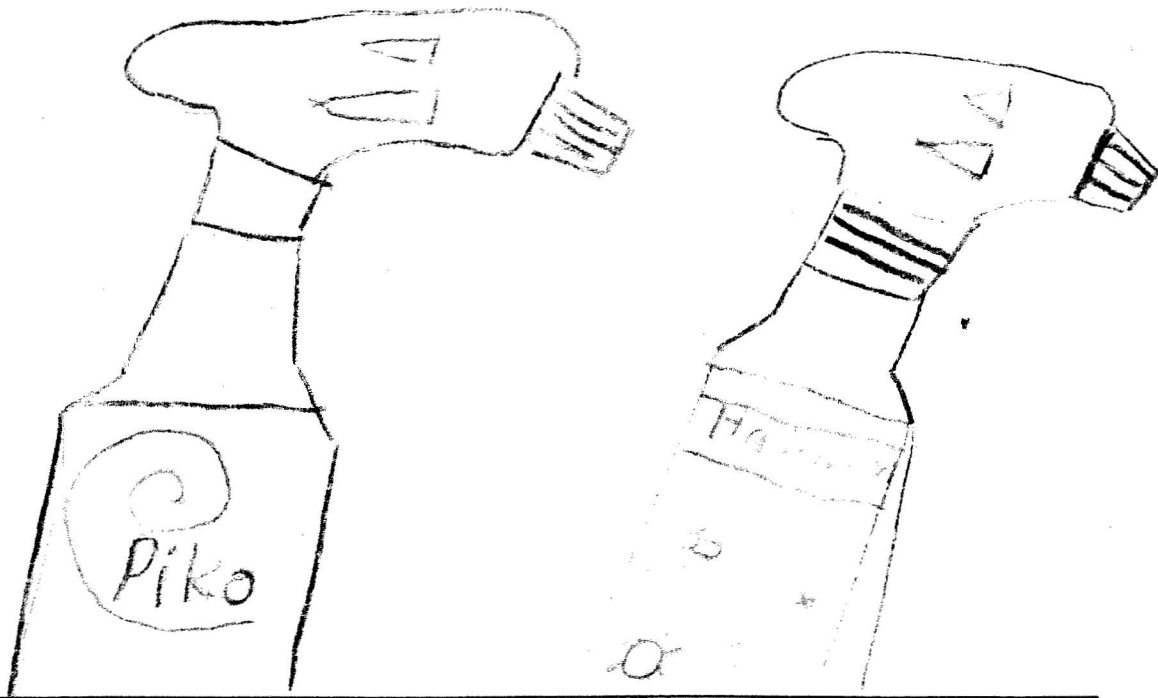
HB1538 RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTALLY-SENSITIVE PRODUCTS

Requires public schools to use environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products. Directs the department of health to establish guidelines and specifications for the products. Requires the state procurement office to maintain a list of vendors who produce, manufacture, or sell environmentally-sensitive products.

Attached are copies of testimony from the children of Kawaiāhāo Church School. Although the children were able to testify in person at the Health and Education Committees, they are not able to be present at the Finance Hearing.

We would respectfully ask that you pass HB1538.

Dear Senators
and
we support



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we should
"Why?" Because
for
schools
clean

my name is
I go to
schools

Just Law... because...
 to come from getting...
 me. It will help because...
 friendly, and is safe for children and
 adults to use. That means...
 because it has toxic...
 from...
 come, the clean air...
 Two of the products are piko cleaner and...
 These products are...
 water, organic soap and neem oil. In the piko
 cleaner, there is water, borax, lemon grass oil,
 and organic soap. The bill...
 because if people...
 generations will stop and the people of the
 future will not...
 just stop...
 Another reason why we should pass the
 because if...
 there the...
 definitely... So if they die, NO FUTURE!
 So please use more...
 safe for adults and children to use.

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Picture 16-5

About Piko Clearer/Hawaiian bug spray

Hawaiian bug spray is a spray that keep bug away from you plants like 'ole (soo), 'ala (bananas) and 'ulu (bread fruit). The Hawaiian bug spray does not kill bugs when you spray it on your plants. Piko clearer is a a insecticidal product that is safe for use. This product is available, effective, and is good for use on plants and children too. This product is not toxic to humans and animals. Clearer products are toxic to the insects. Even though it might kill the insects, it is not safe for the insects. It is safe for the insects to use for the insects.

Dear Law Makers

Support HB 1538 We

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using safe the products

like P. Ho. cleanser

and Hawaiian bug spray

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sick, and if these chemicals

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in the sea and get

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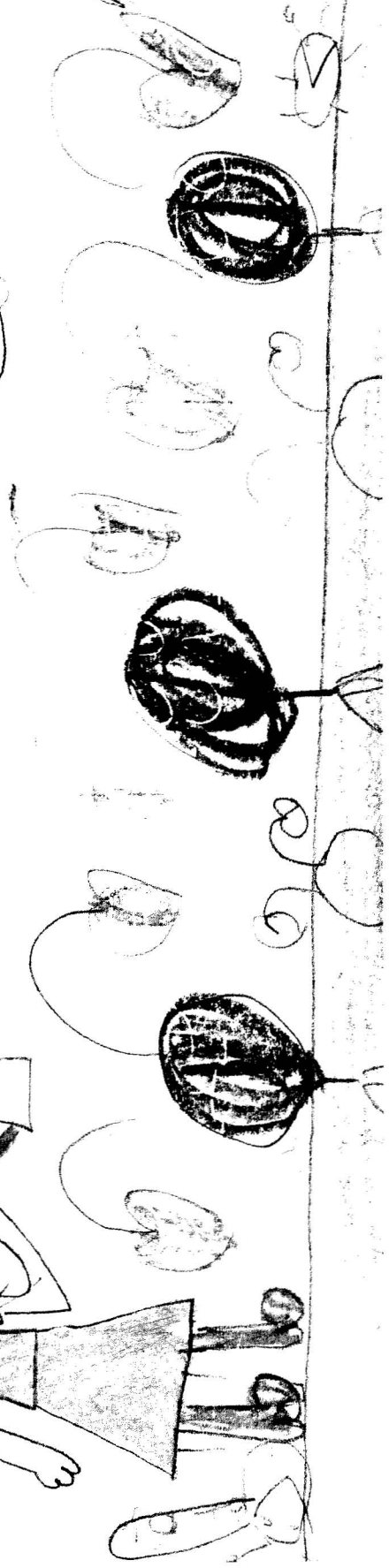
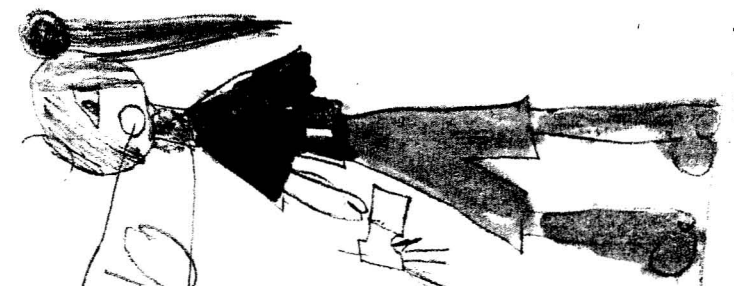
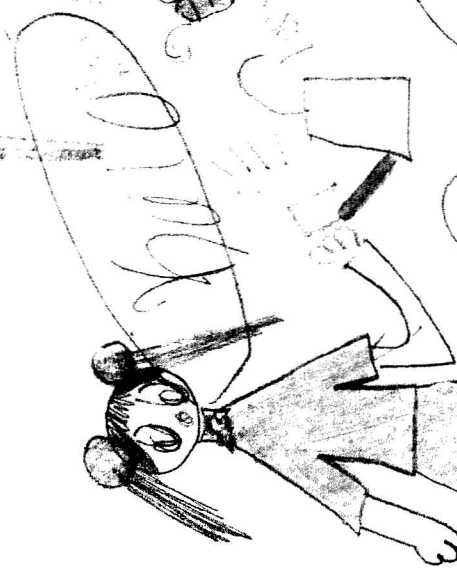
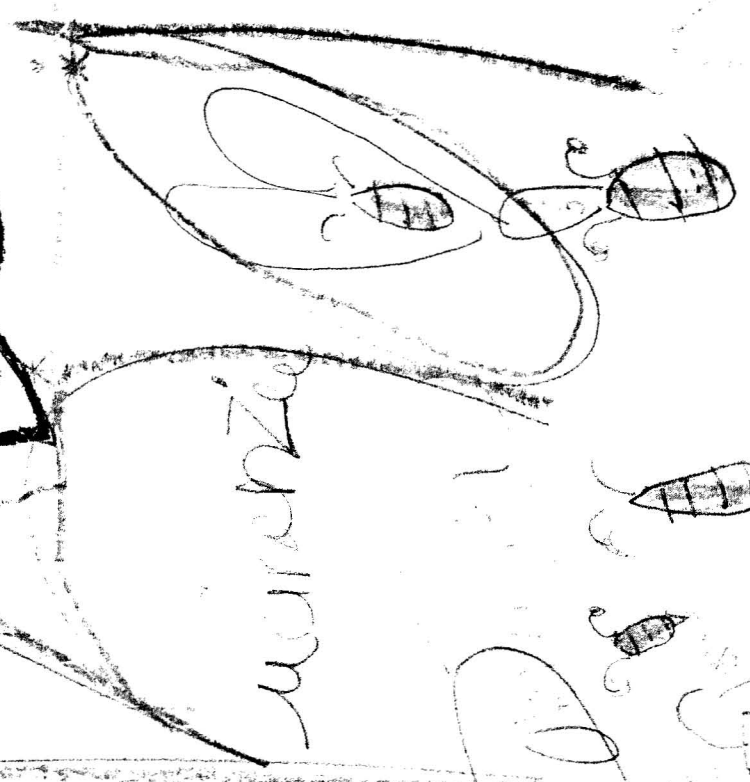
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toxic chemicals

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Dear Senators and law maker / I Support Bill 1538

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class has learned that chemical cleansers are bad, and for evidens look on the table. I Bet it will say keep out of childrens reach and this makes no sense at all. I mean come on we are going to use these chemical toxic cleansers to clean a school and we all now who learns at a school children. If we use Eco friendly cleansers. It will help the school and every one els. Some people might say that I'm just a kid and know nothing well I am a kid and I have lerned alot on Eco friendly things but this goes against it all. Ave school even created a eco friendly cleanser called Piko cleanser and Hawaiian Bug. these are Eco friendly cleansers and bug spray, we created it to help people stay away from chemicals there are many toxins inside of chemical cleaners so ask yourself this would you like your child by chemicals and toxins

from christian gasuoka

Dear lawmakers and senators,

please stop kill 153g because pike al-her and Hawaiian bay

spray are organic and non toxic. pike al-her is made with

organic soap, ox: claim, lemon grass oil and water. Hawaiian bay

spray is made of water, nimal and organic soap. it's all organic.

It's good for the environment. kids can get sick with all organic.

when you use our product it is good for the environment.

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Use non-toxic cleaners in the class

* because if it goes down the drain

it will take care of these

animals and the ocean. It will help

the environment and the people at

our school. The room cleaners

will get sick if they don't use

non-toxic cleaners they will not get sick.

if they use safe products

if they use safe products -

Kama

Dear law makers

I support hb 1538

Don't use toxin-cleaning
Product it can make you
sick and it has poison

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It's gone in the animal

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Dear law makers and Senators,
please support bill 1538 because
it's safe kids and safe for the
airline people get sick because
of the chemicals in side
the sprays that people use to
clean the schools. please use
safe products for the plants.
the kind of spray that people
use to kill the weeds
it can hurt us
the plants. our school makes
non-toxic products to clean and to
keep away the bugs too

Alaburkiani

Dear lawmakers and senators,
please support senate Bill 1538
because we need a safe school for
kids to go to without toxic cleaning
chemicals. You sick please use
nontoxic products so people can
be healthy. It is not toxic and is
safe for babies too and for dogs
and cats and fish too. It is green
for things and is really good for
lots of types of plants. and it
helps the plants to be strong
and is good for your friends, to
and your grandma and your
grampa too and is good for the
horse. and is good for your
mom and dad and your brother
and sister. and your family
It is good for your kids and
teacher and your class room and
is good for yourself. Seth

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P R I C X T O K S I X

Dear law makers,
we support SB 709.

We support halo because
people who have food allergies
they can't eat all foods
but they can eat halo
because it is good and
healthy for people. But if
you put stuff in the halo
the people might
get sick. Do not change
it. God made it perfect,
healthy and safe. If you
take care of it, it will take
care of you. So you can
help. By taking care of
it and not adding anything in
to it or changing it. You
can love it so much.

THE END
LOVE Mackenzie

Mackenzie K.F. Caccoulin, 8 years old

I Love K9s

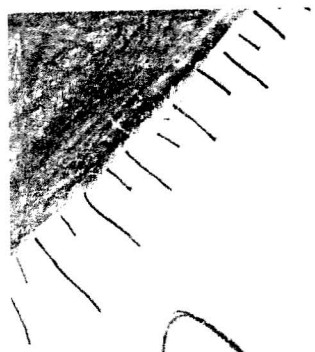
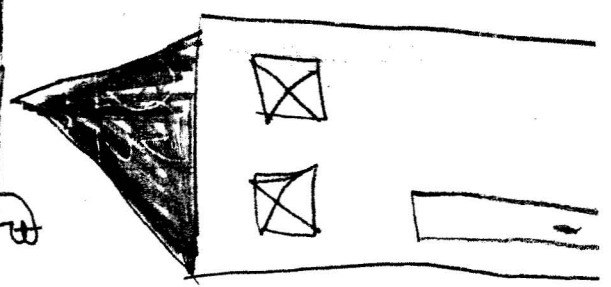
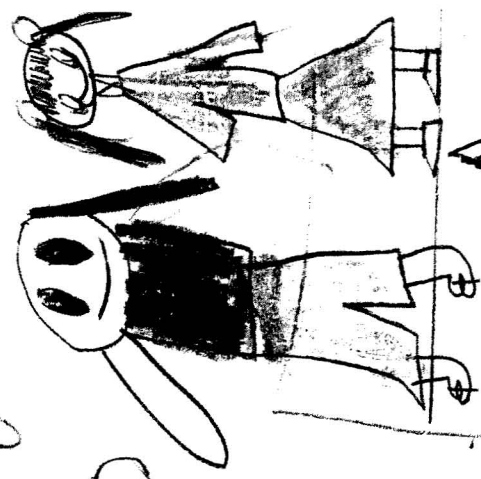
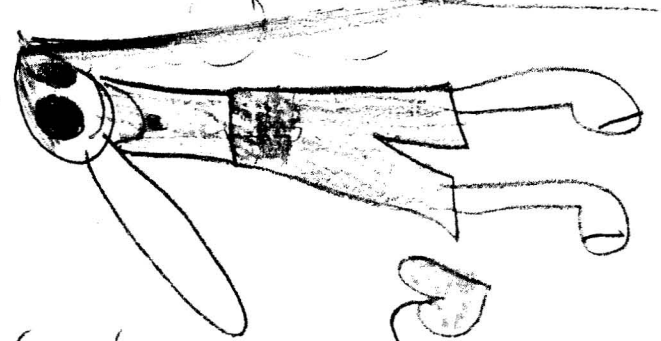
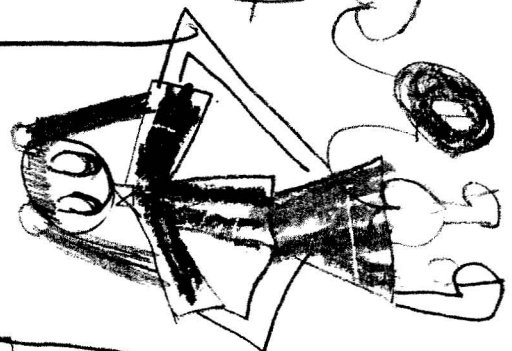
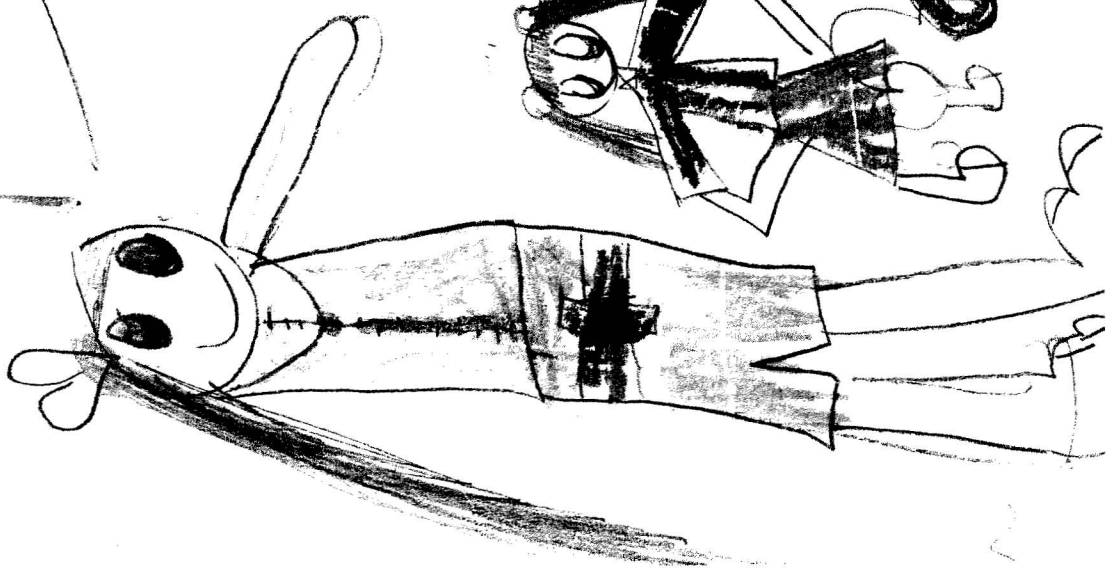
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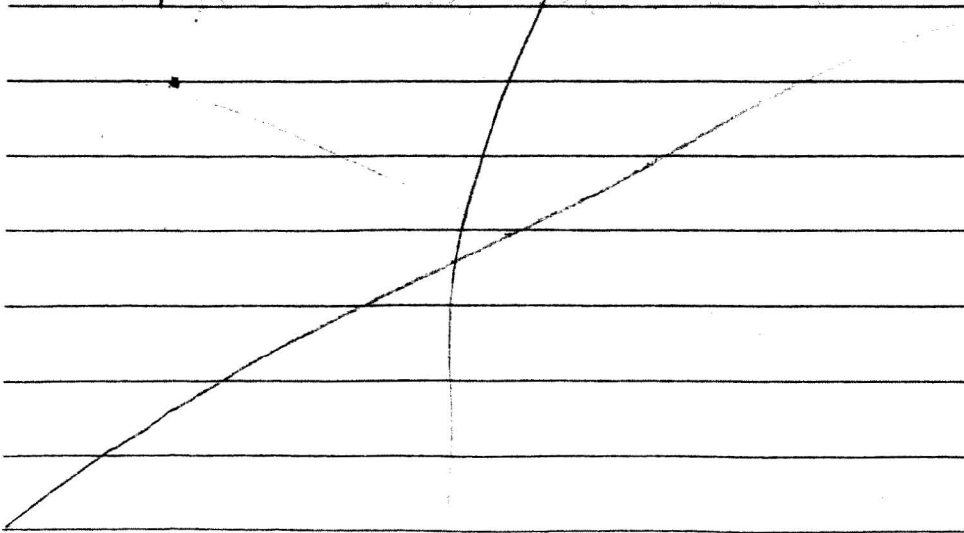
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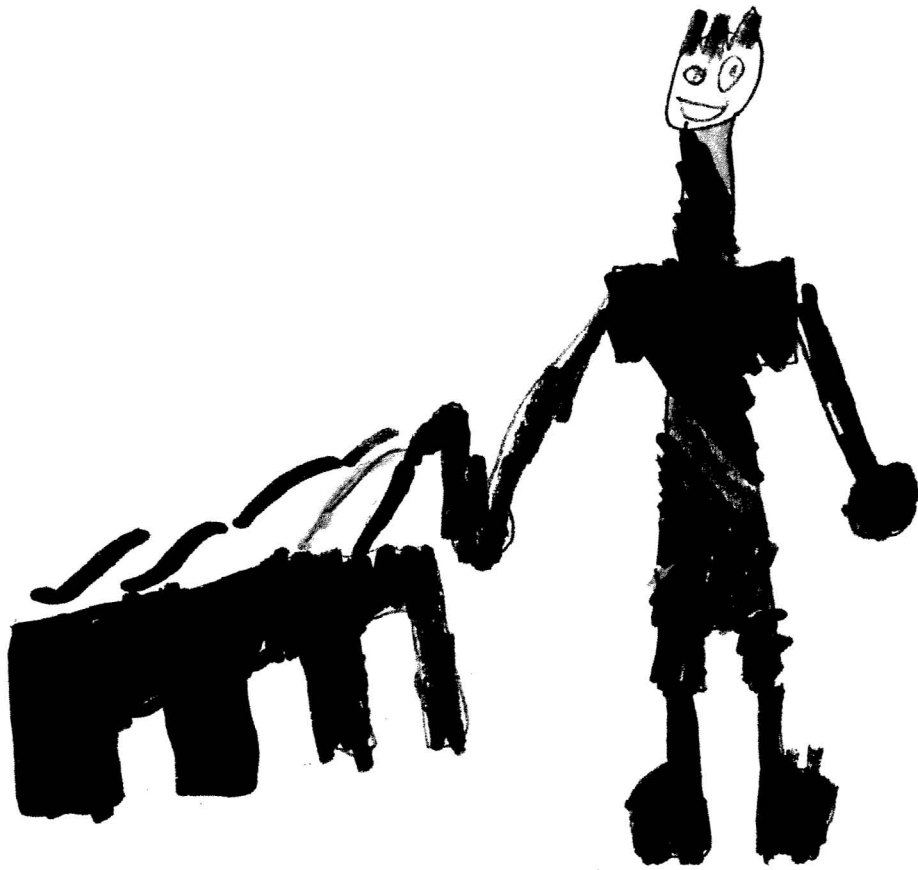
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Dear senators and Law makers

please support senate bill 1588 because

it will help the environment and is earth friendly and nontoxic. This product called

Hope product

cleaner

has organic soap, lemon grass, warm water,

goes in to this product. Me and my class made this product.

lawson
spray

But there is another product that has

neem oil, organic soap, That's all that is in

this product. The other cleaners and bug sprays

are toxic, not earth friendly, not good for

the environment, poisonous, chemical, our school

made products to help the environment

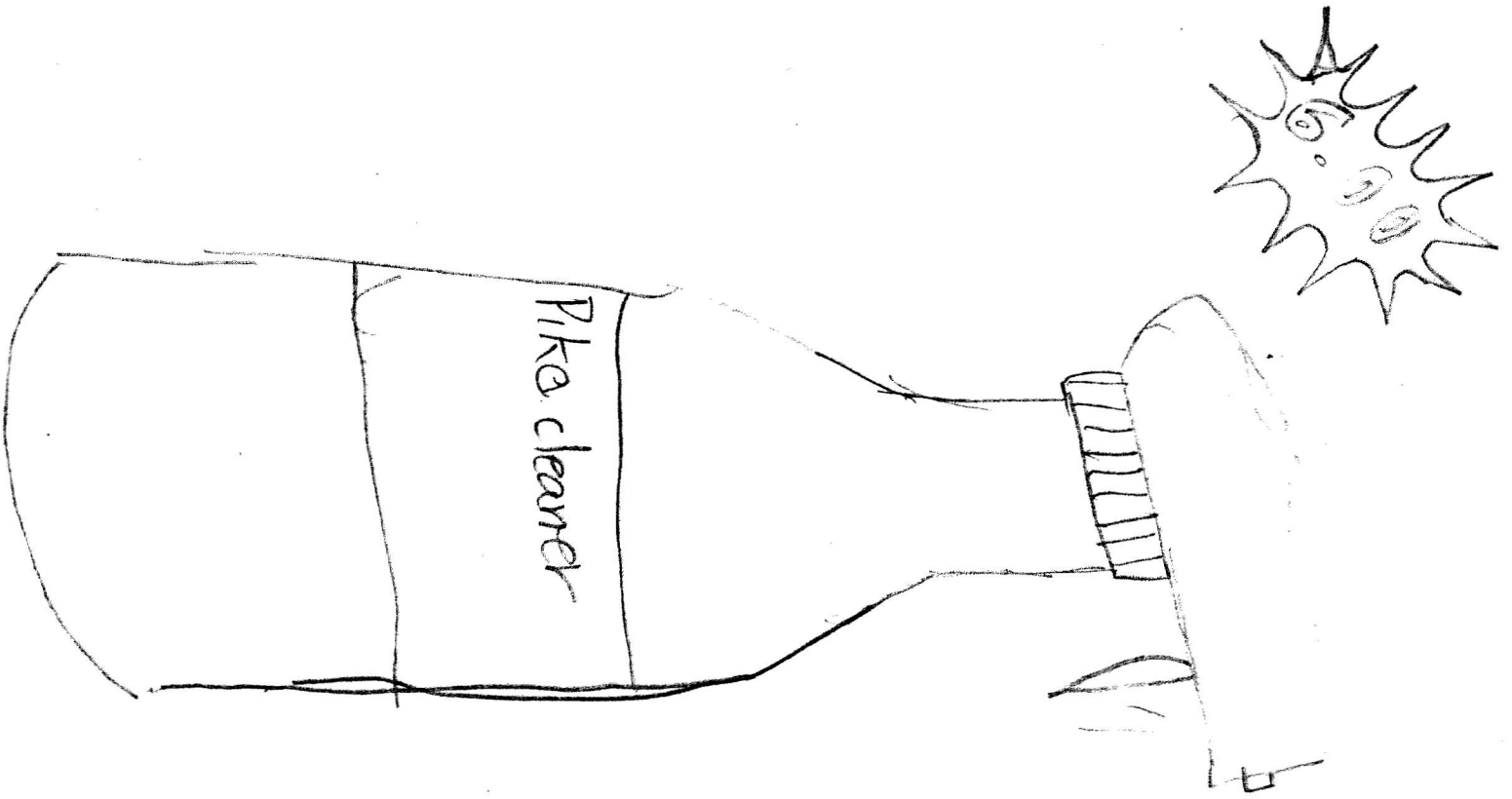
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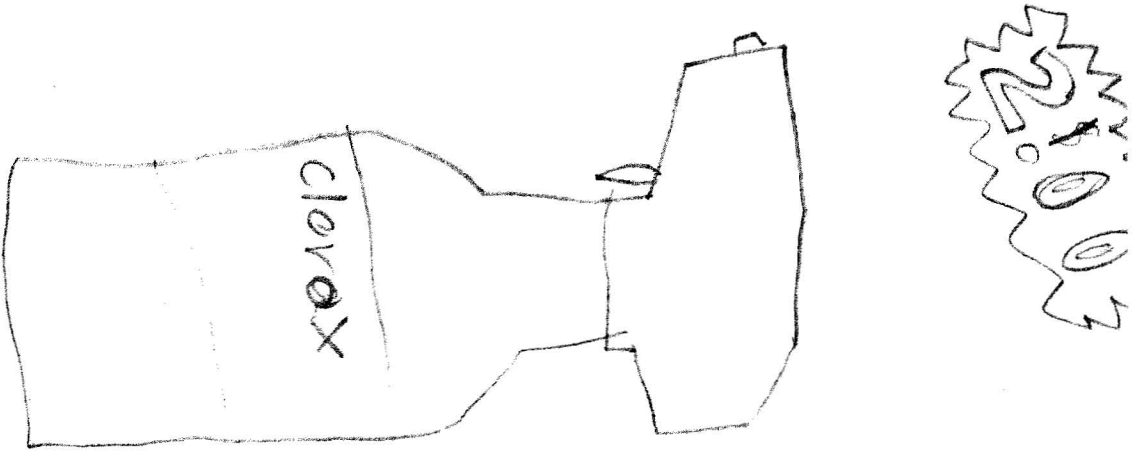
hope products so please can you support

us.

Jacob ♥



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DeAr LAW makers and
Senator PLEASE SUPPORT senate
Bill 1538 because it is safe
for kids and good for plants.
Please use non Toxic for cleaning
Like Piko cleanser because it is
non toxic. Hawaiian BUG SPRAY is
good for the plants because it
doesn't kill the plants and it safe
for the environment. Chemicals
are bad because they get people
sick, they are TOXIC TOO

from: NOHAI

Dear Lawmakers I support

HB 15381

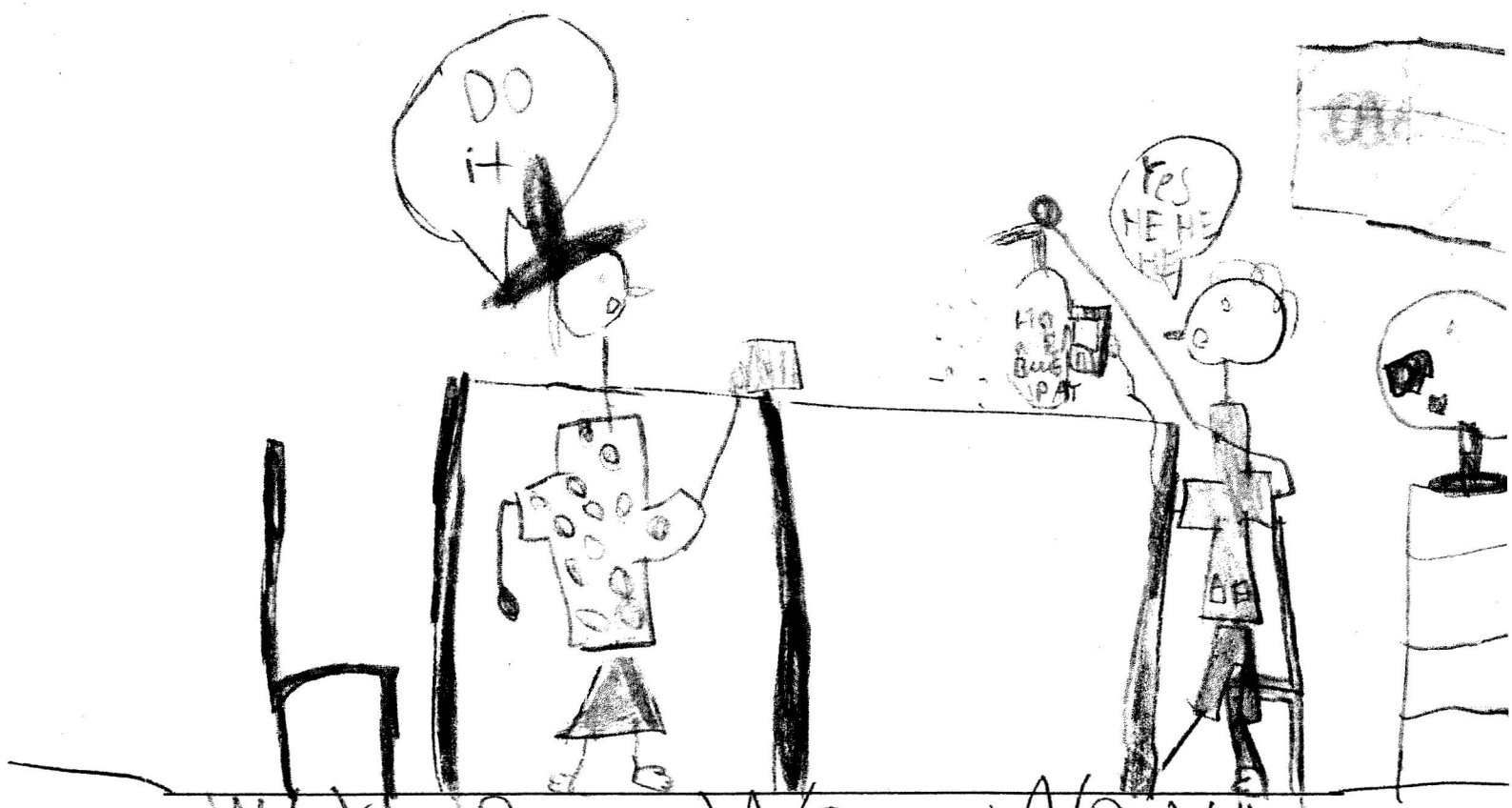
Because



Safe Products do Not Kill the sea animals But if cleaners go down the drain and get to the sea, you will kill sea animals. Safe, non toxic products will keep us safe in our class too.

Dear law makers, and Senators,
Please Support Senate bill
1538 because it will keep the People
Safe. No body will get
sick here in Hawaii. Other
Products get People Sick.
Piko cleanser is made at my School.
It is safe and gets out Blood stains and
Dirt stains. Hawaiian Bug spray
Does not harm Plants and it
is good For killing Bugs.
Kids and Parents can use it.
Piko cleanser is made with
Organic Soap, lemon grass oil, Peroxide
and Hot water. Hawaiian Bug
spray has Hot water, neem
oil, and Organic Soap that's
all. Senator bill 1538 will
make people safe
From chemicals and
toxic. SO Please PASS
this bill. Piko cleanser is
Hawaiian Bug spray
that is all I need
to say. LOVE Aali

In my school we make Piko cleanser and Hawaiian Bug spray.



WHY DO WE WANT
 TO USE NON - TOXIC ^{cleaning}
 PRODUCTS IN OUR CLEANING
 CLAM BE CAUSE IF YOU KEEP
 USING TOXIC PRODUCTS IT
 WILL KILL ALL OF THE SEA
 CREATURES AND IF YOU KEEP
 USING TOXIC PRODUCTS THEN
 IT WILL KILL THE AIR AND
 IF YOU USE IT TO CLEAN
 "SCHOOL" THEN WHO EVER CLEANS
 THE SCHOOLS, THEY WILL GET SICK
 SO IF YOU USE NON TOXIC
 PRODUCTS THEN THE KIDS IN SCHOOL
 WON'T GET SICK

Dear lawmakers and Senator
I support HB 1538 because
aloha āina means non toxic
ingredients. The HAWAIIAN bug
spray has no toxic ingredients
inside because it is very good
for your school. Pike cleanser
is made with organic
lemon grass oil.
we use this for the kids

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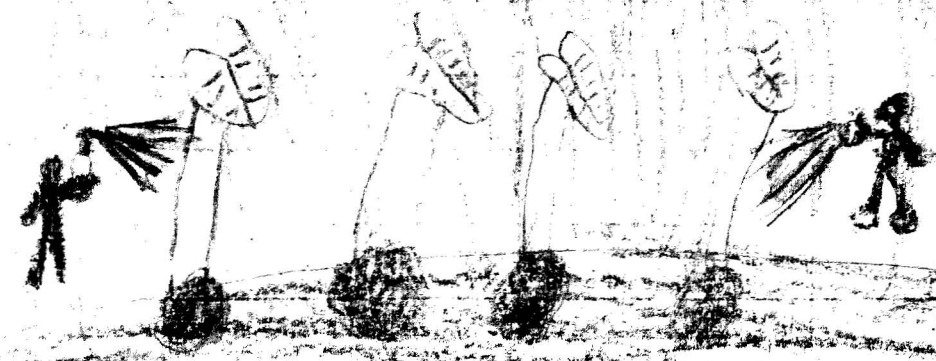
Dear Law Makers and Senators. Please support ^{Senate} bill 11335
because it can keep the PEOPLE safe
from chemicals. chemicals are toxic. we need to protect
the plants and the land. Chemicals will only make
the plants and the land more sick. At MY school we make
Piko cleaner is made of Lemongrass oil, organic soap,
and Oxidant. It is healthy to all plants in Hawaii.
Please make it. We also use Hawaiian bug spray.
It is made of neem oil, and the
oil of neem tree seeds. It will keep the Aina safe by
not putting chemicals on it. So please, Do Not use
chemicals. It can kill the aina. Hawaiian bug spray
and Piko cleaner will keep it safe. If the people eat the sick plants
they will become sick. If they spray chemicals
they will be sick. Let's help the earth and make it a better
world. We hope you do it too.
because it's the right thing to do.

Love, Bronson



Good

Bad



Dear lawmakers & senators,

Please support Senate Bill 1538

Because Piko cleanser and Hawaiian Bug spray is organic and it is Porth friendly.

Piko cleanser is made out organic soap, Oxiclean, lemon^{oil} and water. It is all organic. Piko cleanser is safe for

kids so you can make the kids do

the work. Hawaiian Bug spray is

made out neem oil, organic soap and water. It is all organic. Hawaiian Bug

spray are use to keep away bad

bugs on your plants. The Hawaiian Bug spray does not harm the plant

or the environment. Hawaiian bug spray

only keeps away bad bugs it does not

kill the bugs. We made Piko cleanser

and Hawaiian bug spray because it is

non-toxic, and kids could

use it. I think that you should let all

of the school should use non-toxic cleansers

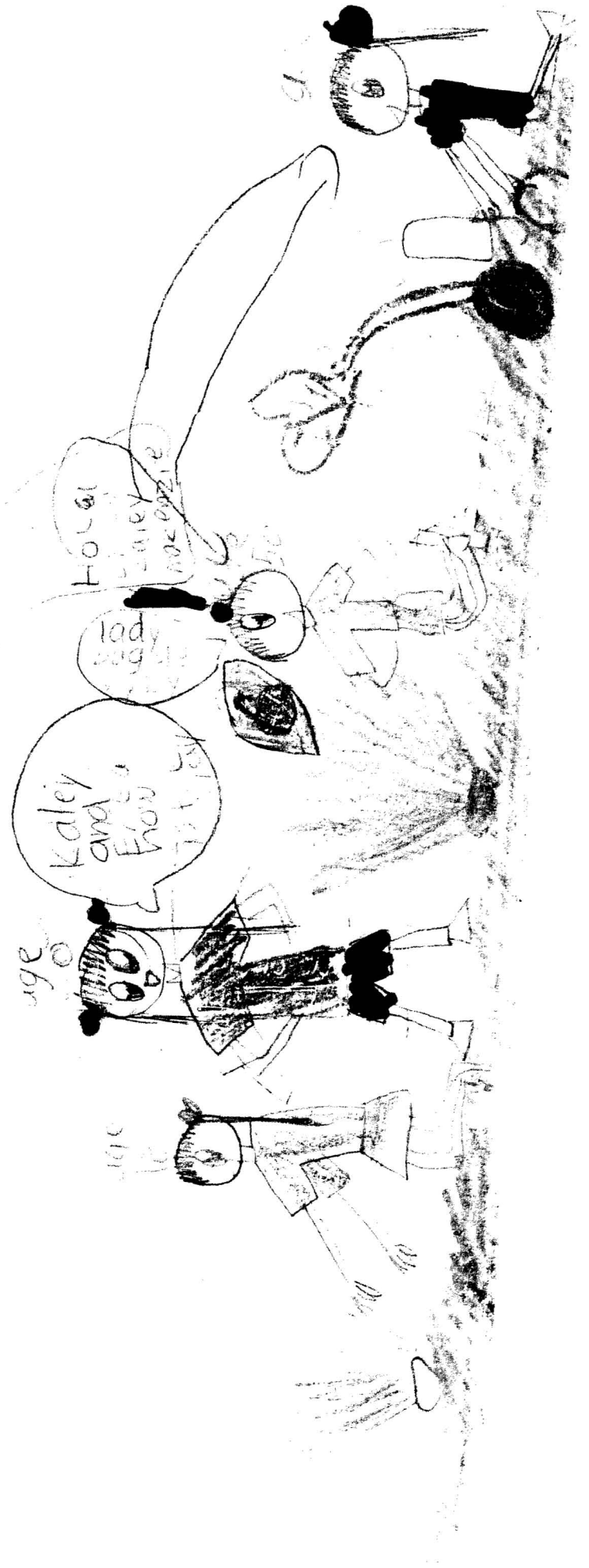
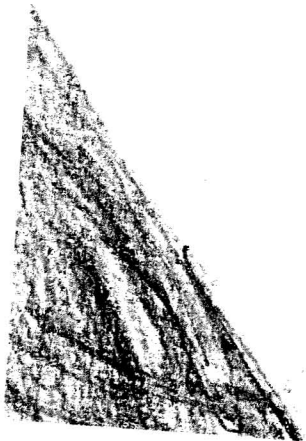
because it is safe for kids and animals and

the environment.

from

Erika.

Dear Senators and I think we support law
HB 532 because we should use safe products so
kids like us can not be sick. please use earthy
friendly sprays if you use chemicals the
kids will get sick. My favorite thing about
Aloha O'ahu is you get to see many different
plants we water the plants and we talk to the
plants it is telling us to not put chemicals
on the plants. We can be very very
good people if we take care of the kids.
At school we plant things like also we keep
our area green and we don't use chemicals.
We keep our area safe by using organic
sprays that we don't use chemicals it is
good for the environment. it is a very
Please support this bill so we can protect
our area. My name is Kaleluaka and I'm
7 years old.



Dear Law Makers I

support HB 1538. The reason

Why you should use products

like Piko Clean Rinse

at home, 1550 kids

are not around anything

toxic. They're clean. Do not

have chemicals and it's safe

for your kids and it's

good for you and the

environment. Thank you

Aloha

Representative Marcus R. Oshiro
Representative Marilyn B. Lee
Finance Committee

Debbie Millikan
March 4, 2009, 10:00 am

Support of HB 1538, Relating to environmentally-sensitive cleaning products

I am a mother of two young children, one of whom attends public elementary school. I am here to testify in support of HB 1538 because I strongly believe our children deserve to learn in a safe and clean school environment. I am here representing many parents who I have personally spoken to with children at Waikiki School and the UH preschool who believe this bill represents a first step to protect all of Hawaii's keiki. The students, teachers, custodians, and administrators who attend our 284 public schools are being unnecessarily exposed on a daily basis to chemicals, pollutants and pesticides. We have an opportunity to change this. HB 1538 is a start in the right direction.

Why switch to green cleaning products? Traditional cleaning products used in schools can contain harmful ingredients that cause cancer, reproductive disorders, and major organ damage. These chemicals can find their way into our drinking water, streams and coastal waters, adversely affecting our fragile reefs, threatening public health and adding to pollution. Furthermore, half of the 53 million students and 5 million adults who attend our nation's schools every day may be unnecessarily exposed to polluted indoor air, lead, chemical fumes, pesticides and other toxins (according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency). Children miss more than 14 million school days each year due to asthma exacerbated by poor indoor air quality.

What makes a cleaning product green? It means using cleaning substances that do not contain harsh chemical ingredients (such as ammonia) found in many conventional cleaners. It means avoiding chemicals that are known carcinogens. Green cleaners are made from plant based, biodegradable detergents and emulsifiers.

New York recently enacted a state law to make sure schools address this issue by choosing cleaning products that are environmentally sensitive and safer for our children. Other districts and individual schools are making the switch and are seeing big changes. Lockport Township High School reports a 3% increase in daily attendance after switching to green cleaning; a pilot project in Chicago's public schools found Green Seal products to be cost-competitive with traditional ones; and the San Francisco Unified School District found fewer respiratory complaints after switching to green cleaning to name a few examples. A Florida school district found they could reduce cleaning costs by switching to green cleaning products.

We can begin to make a difference for our kids here in Hawaii by supporting a similar proposition, HB 1538. A well-designed green cleaning program in Hawaii's schools,

modeled after that in New York, can help reduce harmful exposures and keep our students healthy and smart.

Using green cleaning products also protects the health of our custodial staff, many of whom experience health problems associated with the toxic chemicals they are using.

Critics might respond that green cleaning products aren't good enough or are too expensive. This is simply not true. Demand for green products has increased in the past 5 years making these products readily available and cheaper. The inventory of green cleaning supplies is growing as larger companies enter the market and with increased demand. Studies have shown that non-toxic, biodegradable products are just as effective as their toxic counterparts. Most importantly, by combining an educational component for product usage with green products, our custodians are more likely to use less product, use them more effectively, and thus reducing cleaning costs overall.

Switching to green products can help our children stay healthy, stay at school, and become better learners. I urge this committee to pass HB 1538 for the sake of our children. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.