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before the
**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, & OCEAN RESOURCES
AND
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**
Monday, February 1, 2010
10:00 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325
in consideration of
**HB 2338
RELATING TO LAND USE**

Chairs Ito and Morita, Vice Chairs Har and Coffman and Members of the
House Committees on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources and Energy &
Environmental Protection.

We respectfully oppose H.B. 2338 Relating to Land Use. H.B. 2338
streamlines the boundary amendment process for petitions submitted by the counties
which are consistent with adopted county plans. It also amends Chapter 343-5, HRS,
to exempt any land use boundary amendment initiated by the State or counties under
section 205-18 from the requirement to do an environmental assessment, unless the
proposed amendment would reclassify land out of the Conservation District.

We prefer Administration Bill H.B. 2527 Relating to Land Use. The
Administration Bill also provides for regional boundary amendments to be decided
after a public hearing rather than a contested case/trial type of hearing involving

presentation of witnesses, cross-examination, and submittal and argument of motions. However, the Administration Bill would not allow the simplified process to be used to remove land from the Conservation District as this bill does.

The Administration Bill does not allow a regional boundary amendment petition to proceed if either the Office of Planning or the planning department for the county in which the petition area is located objects to the application. This measure only provides notice to the Office of Planning, and does not allow the Land Use Commission to "Approve with conditions", instead deferring imposition of conditions to address concerns raised, until subsequent county rezoning. With the exception of requiring that the rezoning protect historic sites and burials, this bill only provides state agencies the opportunity to comment on any county rezoning action. That is not enough to ensure that transportation concerns, agricultural and water resource protection and other state issues are satisfactorily addressed.

The Administration bill accomplishes the same goal of streamlining regional boundary amendments when they conform to county general, development or community plans, but provides for more safeguards to ensure that state concerns may be addressed by the Land Use Commission.

We oppose this measure and urge your support for the Administration bill.
Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

BIA-HAWAII

BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

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February 1, 2010

The Honorable Ken Ito, Chair
Committee on Water, Land and Ocean Resources
The Honorable Hermina Morita, Chair
Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection
State House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 325
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Ito and Morita, and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. HB 2338 Relating to Land Use

I am Karen Nakamura, Chief Executive Officer of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA-HAWAII supports H.B. No. 2338.

The bill proposes to amend Chapter 205-4 HRS to streamline the process used by the land use commission when a county petitions for boundary amendments that implement county plans.

Currently all petitions for boundary amendments go through a "contested case" or quasi-judicial proceeding which allows for the intervention by third parties, formal trial-type hearings, preparation of findings of fact and conclusions of law, and the possibility of judicial appeal. Further, this process has encouraged extended discussions on detailed project elements, rather than the policy question of broad land use and growth direction. As a result, not only is the process lengthy and costly, the counties have rarely initiated boundary amendments because they must go through the same process as private applicants.

The proposed bill would allow the land use commission to decide the application through a quasi-legislative process, similar to the process already used by a county council in deciding a rezoning or a boundary amendment of less than fifteen acres. The commission would take public testimony and the commissioners would have to decide based on the record. As with current law, the boundary amendment would need six affirmative votes

of the commission to pass. This procedure would be tied to a comprehensive boundary review that the counties initiate only once every five years to encourage a more comprehensive, planning-driven, and proactive approach.

The proposal would improve on some of the duplicity that existing in Hawaii's land use entitlement system. The State Land Use Commissions' role should be more focused on policy and natural resource issues such as ensuring that there are sufficient watershed areas and providing appropriate agricultural lands where agri-businesses are viable. Their role in urbanized lands should be limited to the balancing of four land use districts on each island, and allowing each county to plan for additional urban areas based on growth projections. Overtime, the State has extended its reach into urban and municipal land use issues when in reality the State has little or no expertise in these areas. Conversely, the Counties have no expertise in natural resource management as they are primarily responsible for urban or municipal uses.

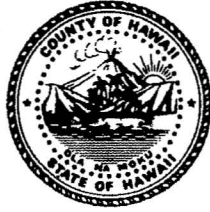
The bill is a step in the right direction of defining the roles and responsibilities for the State and Counties on land use matters.

We strongly support HB 2338.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.

Karen I. Nakamura

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January 27, 2010

Honorable Ken Ito, Chair
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TESTIMONY ON H.B. 2833 RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS

Monday, February 1, 2010

9:30 a.m.

Conference Room 325

Aloha, Chair Ito and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to strongly support House Bill 2833, RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS, authorizes the Board of Land and Natural Resources to extend the leases of public lands for commercial, hotel, resort, or industrial use up to fifty-five years, based upon substantial improvements made to the premises.

H.B. 2833 will be of particular value in providing an incentive for lessees on Banyan Drive in Hilo to make improvements to their premises, which comprise the largest inventory of hotel rooms in East Hawaii. Because most of the leases will expire in 2015, the lessees have no incentive in making improvements to their premises, placing the future of what is the only significant resort area in East Hawaii in jeopardy of further deterioration.

H.B. 2833 will also provide incentives for lessees of commercial and industrial leases on public lands, which similarly face the expiration of leases of their leasehold assets, to make improvements to their premises.

H.B. 2833 requires the lessee or lessee and developer to enter into a development agreement with the Board of Land and Natural Resources, which is determined to be of sufficient worth and value to justify the extension of the lease and establishes a minimum revised annual rent based on the fair market value of the land as determined by the Board's appraiser.

It defines "substantial improvements" as "any renovation, rehabilitation, reconstruction, or construction, including minimum off-site and on-site improvements, the cost of which equals or exceeds fifty percent of the market value of the premises.

In the case of Banyan Drive, we cannot wait for 2015. We need to provide incentives to make major investments in the area's infrastructure and ensure the long-term maintenance of visitor industry facilities.

We urge you to approve H.B. 2833.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,

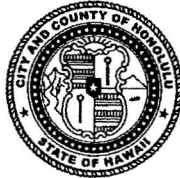
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William P. Kenoi
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The Honorable Representative Ken Ito, Committee Chair
and Members of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources
The Honorable Representative Hermina M. Morita, Committee Chair
and Members of the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection
State House of Representatives
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Ito, Morita and Members:

**Subject: House Bill No. 2338
Relating to State Land Use District Boundary Amendment Process**

The Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) **supports** House Bill 2338, which proposes to streamline the Land Use Commission's land use district boundary amendment process when a county petitions for boundary amendments that implement county plans.

The measure addresses the cumbersome quasi-judicial process required for county initiated district boundary amendment applications filed pursuant to the five-year boundary review by allowing a modified legislative process provided the proposed boundary amendment implements county plans.

We suggest that in order to carry out the intent of this bill, the following language be included to address application requirements of Hawaii Administrative Rule Chapter 15-15-50(c)(5)(B) which calls for written authorization by affected owners with a property interest in the land sought to be reclassified. We propose that the following sentence be added at the end of proposed Section 205-18(b) of the measure:

"Written authorizations of the fee owner are not required for applications under this section."

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David K. Tanoue", is written over a horizontal line.

to David K. Tanoue, Director
Department of Planning and Permitting

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February 1, 2010

The Honorable Ken Ito, Chair
Committee on Water, Land and Ocean Resources
The Honorable Hermina Morita, Chair
Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection
State House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 325
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Ito and Morita, and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. HB 2338 Relating to Land Use

My name is Jim Tollefson, President of the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii. The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii works on behalf of its members and the entire business community to:

- Improve the state's economic climate
- Help businesses thrive

The Chamber supports H.B. No. 2338.

The bill proposes to amend Chapter 205-4 HRS to streamline the process used by the land use commission when a county petitions for boundary amendments that implement county plans.

Currently all petitions for boundary amendments go through a "contested case" or quasi-judicial proceeding which allows for the intervention by third parties, formal trial-type hearings, preparation of findings of fact and conclusions of law, and the possibility of judicial appeal. Further, this process has encouraged extended discussions on detailed project elements, rather than the policy question of broad land use and growth direction. As a result, not only is the process lengthy and costly, the counties have rarely initiated boundary amendments because they must go through the same process as private applicants.

The proposed bill would allow the land use commission to decide the application through a quasi-legislative process, similar to the process already used by a county council in deciding a rezoning or a boundary amendment of less than fifteen acres. The commission would take public testimony and the commissioners would have to decide based on the record. As with current law, the boundary amendment would need six affirmative votes of the commission to pass. This procedure would be tied to a comprehensive boundary

review that the counties initiate only once every five years to encourage a more comprehensive, planning-driven, and proactive approach.

The proposal would improve on some of the duplicity that existing in Hawaii's land use entitlement system. The State Land Use Commissions' role should be more focused on policy and natural resource issues such as ensuring that there are sufficient watershed areas and providing appropriate agricultural lands where agri-businesses are viable. Their role in urbanized lands should be limited to the balancing of four land use districts on each island, and allowing each county to plan for additional urban areas based on growth projections. Overtime, the State has extended its reach into urban and municipal land use issues when in reality the State has little or no expertise in these areas. Conversely, the Counties have no expertise in natural resource management as they are primarily responsible for urban or municipal uses.

The bill is a step in the right direction of defining the roles and responsibilities for the State and Counties on land use matters.

We strongly support HB 2338.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.

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We strongly support HB 2338.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.

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February 1, 2010

**Support of HB 2338 Relating to Land Use
(Streamlines boundary amendment process for Counties)**

Honorable Chair Ken Ito, Vice Chair Sharon Har
and Members of the House Water, Land and Ocean Resources Committee;
Honorable Hermina M. Morita, Vice Chair Denny Coffman
and Members of the House Energy and Environmental Protection Committee,

My name is Dave Arakawa, and I am the Executive Director of the Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii (LURF), a private, non-profit research and trade association whose members include major Hawaii landowners, developers and a utility company. One of LURF's missions is to advocate for reasonable, rational and equitable land use planning, legislation and regulations that encourage well-planned economic growth and development, while safeguarding Hawaii's significant natural and cultural resources and public health and safety.

LURF **strongly supports HB 2338**, which streamlines the boundary amendment process for petitions submitted by the counties which are consistent with adopted county plans, and recommends that your committees approve this legislation. which is also consistent with the intention and recommendations of the Legislature's SCR 132 (2009) Construction Industry Task Force?

DISCUSSION. The purpose of this bill is to streamline the process used by the land use commission when a county petitions for boundary amendments that implement county plans.

Each county has a general plan, development plan and in some cases, community, regional, or district development plans. These plans are the result of long-range planning efforts adopted after input from the affected communities. To guide sensible growth and development of the areas designated in county planning documents, it is often necessary to redistrict land to encourage compact development patterns and to discourage urban sprawl and leap-frog development. Each of these county plans involves multiple public meetings and hearings, which are subject to the Sunshine Law. If a project or use is

consistent with the county plans and the land use commission district, it still must go through a more detailed Zoning approval process, which also affords public input in several hearings which are subject to the Sunshine Law.

The County land use process affords the public guaranteed input - early, late and often. It is important to note that each step of every county plan processes must go through several public meetings and hearings which are all subject to the Sunshine Law.

Under current law, however, all boundary amendments at the Land Use Commission (LUC or commission) go through the "contested case" hearing format, which allows intervention by third parties, formal trial-type hearings, preparation of findings of fact and conclusions of law, and the possibility of judicial appeal.

Further, this LUC process has encouraged extended discussions on detailed project elements, rather than the policy question of broad land and growth direction. As a result, not only is the process lengthy and costly, the counties have rarely initiated boundary amendments because they must go through the same process as private applicants.

Under this bill, the LUC would decide the application through a quasi-legislative process, similar to the process already used by a county council in approving a general plan or other county plan, deciding a rezoning, or a boundary amendment of less than fifteen acres. The commission would take public testimony and the commissioners would have to decide based on the record. As with current law, the boundary amendment would need six affirmative votes of the commission to pass.

If a district boundary amendment is approved by the land use commission, it still must go through a more detailed county Zoning approval process, which also affords public input in several agency and county council hearings which are subject to the Sunshine Law.

The LUC procedure would be tied to a comprehensive boundary review that the counties initiate only once every five years to encourage a more comprehensive, planning-driven, and proactive approach.

The state office of planning can still perform five-year reviews, but as an option, rather than a mandate, in light of past performance of this provision.

CONCLUSION. LURF is in **strong support of HB 2338**, which is also consistent with the intention and recommendations of the Legislature's SCR 132 (2009) Construction Industry Task Force.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our **support for HB 2338.**



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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, & OCEAN RESOURCES
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**
February 1, 2010, 10:00 A.M.

(Testimony is 1 page long)

TESTIMONY IN STRONG OPPOSITION TO HB 2338

Aloha Chair Ito, Chair Morita, and Members of the Committees:

The Hawai'i Chapter of the Sierra Club strong opposes HB 2338, which allows the Counties to reclassify land before the Land Use Commission without allowing the public to meaningfully participate.

Citizen participation in land use decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attached protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And -- if appropriate -- it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Further, participation by experienced organizations clearly acting in the public interest frequently enriches and helps the Land Use Commission make better decisions. For example, the Sierra Club's participation in the Castle & Cooke/Koa Ridge clarified and established the requirements of an environmental assessment before approving a reclassification for a major subdivision.

As another example, the Friends of Makakilo recently challenged D.R. Horton's failure to properly follow the Land Use Commission's rules in the Ho'opili proposal. Because of the involvement of the Friends of Makakilo, the Land Use Commission rejected D.R. Horton's incomplete application. Without a complete application, the LUC could not properly consider the project and impose appropriate timing conditions for the community.

This type of involvement could become lost because "the counties have rarely initiated boundary amendments because they must go through the same process as private applicants." *See* HB 2338 at page 1-2. This is a particularly flimsy basis to eliminate the democratic process. Let's be clear. This proposal is nothing more than a means to advance developer interests and to avoid having to discuss the particularized impacts of each individual development on agricultural land. This measure should be deferred.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.

Committee: WLO/EEP Room: 325 Hearing Date: 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Protect Smart Land Use Planning

Preserve Meaningful Public Participation

If you think citizens shouldn't ask tough questions and challenge bad assumptions made by developers, please don't read any further.

The legislature is considering eliminating meaningful public participation from the land use process ([HB 2338](#)). Under this measure, counties could ask the State Land Use Commission to reclassify large tracts of land without giving residents the right to intervene, cross-examine witnesses, or put on differing viewing views about the future of their community. This is wrong and counter to a democratic society.

For example, this bill -- if it were passed -- **could allow the City and County of Honolulu to deny residents the opportunity to actively question whether 1,555 acres of prime agricultural land at Ho`opili on O`ahu should be developed.**

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

HB 2338 - Reducing Citizen Participation in the Land Use Process

<http://www.sierraclubhawaii.com/blog/hb-2338-reducing-citizen-participation-in-the-land-use-process>

Posted by Robert D. Harris on Saturday, January 30, 2010 Under: [Legislative](#)

[HB 2338](#), which allows the Counties to reclassify land before the Land Use Commission without meaningfully involving the public, is a terrible idea.

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Further, participation by experienced organizations clearly acting in the public interest -- like the Sierra Club -- frequently enriches and helps the Land Use Commission make better decisions. For example, the Sierra Club's participation in the Castle & Cooke/Koa Ridge clarified and

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In another example, the Friends of Makakilo recently challenged D.R. Horton's failure to properly follow the Land Use Commission's rules in the Ho'opili proposal. Because of the involvement of the Friends of Makakilo, the Land Use Commission ultimately rejected D.R. Horton's application as incomplete. Without a complete application, the LUC determined it could not properly consider the project and impose appropriate timing conditions for the community.

HB 2338 directly rejects this type of citizen participation because "the counties have rarely initiated boundary amendments because they must go through the same process as private applicants." This is a particularly flimsy basis to reject the democratic process. Let's be clear. This proposal is nothing more than a means to advance developer interests and to avoid having to discuss the particularized impacts of each individual, large development on agricultural land. This measure should be deferred.

We, The People, Not D.R. Horton or any other "eveloper du jour," should get to decide how things go down in our communities. As Politicians you are not beholden to big monied Developers, but rather, to we the taxpayers and voters of Hawaii.

Gov. Lingle has been a GREAT proponent of SUSTAINABILITY. The Plans for Hoopili would destroy 1,555 acres of agricultural land ... AT A TIME WHEN WE IMPORT 80-90% OF OUR FOOD

Sustainability would be KILLED by HB 2338 as it essentially functions to RUBBER-STAMP development projects by tie-ing the hands of their competition, the taxpayers and voters of Hawaii.

It's David vs. Goliath. Whose side should you be on? I assume you all went to Sunday School and can grok the populist appeal of the biblical story. We the people who would be royally screwed by HR 2338 are David; The Developers this legislation panders to is Goliath. WWJD? That's an easy one. Go with David. And leave his sling alone by voting "NO" on this anti-democratic bill.

Vote NO on HB 2338 ... Keeping the People out of the Political Process might be o.k. back in the days of Communist Russia, but not in AMERICA!! Uphold Democratic participation -- Rubberstamp NOTHING.

Aloha,
Todd C. Wetmore

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Comments:

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify any land whether large or not without meaningful citizen input. Defer HB 2338 Thank You.

Rep. Ken Ito – Chair WLO
Rep. Hermina Morita – Chair EEP

Testimony in Semi-support of HB 2338

Aloha Representatives,

I come before you today in semi-support of House Bill 2338. The reason it is only semi-support is because I think that the law should allow for interveners in zoning changes but as it is right now the bar is set so low almost anyone can become an intervener. The perfect example of this bar being set way too low is the Ho'opili case that is before the Land Use Commission right now.

Here you have a person that has no business in a legal proceeding that is only there because the law allows him to be there, plain and simple. Mr. Dudley has no background in planning, development, agriculture or transportation but here he is sitting in this hearing only because he filed a request and would not stop hounding the commission. One quick look at any of the Makakilo/Kapolei neighborhood board meetings will show how disruptive he can be and now he is neck deep in a LUC hearing. If you do not have the time watch one of those meetings just ask your fellow representative Sharon Har as she has seen his disruptive and rude behavior first hand.

Now do not get me wrong I am all for your average citizen getting involved with our government and expressing their opinion about how it is run and on any issue that has their attention, as I am sure most of you know. But there is a time and a place for everything and uninformed individuals have no place as interveners in a LUC hearing

I am not sure if cutting out interveners entirely is the answer but you do need to raise the bar.

Mahalo for your time,

Michael Golojuch, Jr.
Makakilo Resident

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Testimony against HB 2338 - Reducing Citizen Participation in the Land Use Process

Changing land usage may provide short-term business profits and jobs, but it will affect our quality of life far into the future. If we have a government of, by, and for the good of all people, then you must allow the people testify. The quality of our lives is at stake.

The Land Use Commission makes it difficult enough as it is for us, the ordinary citizens, to have a chance to testify because (1) we'd have to take off from our jobs to attend hearings scheduled during regular work hours, and (2) the LUC gives very little advance notice of date & time of hearings; there is no publicity and it's primarily the developer who knows when to show up with its proponents.

And now you want to take away even this small window of opportunity for us to voice our opinions? Please, if you believe in justice and fairness, NO.

Yours truly,

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Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

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Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Aloha mai kakou,

I am a soil scientist from the University of Arizona in Tucson. I have lived here since February 1989. I know that soil is the wealth of a nation. I know how long it takes to form and how easily it is damaged or destroyed for producing food. Only three things are obtainable from soil, food, fiber and drugs. Agricultural, fertile soils are precious and must be considered as a part of national treasure. They are not expendable for any reason.

Land is classified 1-10 and 1 is not ever to be used for buildings of any sort. Soil is fatter than fat. I spoke at the LUC meeting against Ho'opili. I am even against the north south road as well as a rail stop on those soils. The West Oahu campus of UH should not be build on farm land either. In time the campus will expand. My soil physics professor Goro Uehara agrees with me and so does my MA committee member Dr. Mark Merlin.

Please, citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on more complete information, which may involve directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers. It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. I ask you with the education that I have received on all of our behalf to defer HB 2338.

Me ka mahalo,

Thomas Kekamapilihonua Galioto

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 7:11 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: barrysoaks@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Barry Oaks
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: barrysoaks@gmail.com
Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in the land use process is an essential part of the democratic process. It assures that decisions are based on complete information. It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective and enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 6:11 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: gshaines@earthlink.net

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Gregg Haines

Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: gshaines@earthlink.net

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without allowing individual citizens to participate in the process.

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information, not only biased information supplied by studies compiled using a developers bountiful money supply.

Citizen participation gives decision makers additional information so that they may attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it can bring attention to environmentally destructive projects that may otherwise get through the process unnoticed.

Again, I urge you to not allow the Counties to reclassify land without meaningful citizen participation.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 2:01 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: valoanhero@gmail.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: dave white

Organization: Individual

Address: 45 320 paliiki pl kaneohe

Phone: 808 382-7444

E-mail: valoanhero@gmail.com

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

How can we even began to populate an area that is overly populated now. Traffic is HORRIBLE!!! Drivers are much more aggressive and getting worse by the day. I beleive it is all due to traffic and frustrations.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
[mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 11:47 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: bdshafer@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position:
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Benjamin Shafer
Organization: Individual
Address: 52.210 Kamehameha Hwy Hauula
Phone: 808.222.3138
E-mail: bdshafer@gmail.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Who in there right mind would support such a bill. How this bill was even considered when we already have planning by greed with no regard to what happens to the aina. Why would the people want to give away their right to government agencies, when these agencies are incompetent? Where the checks and balances to ensure the taxpayer rights are are not given away to special interest, conflicts of interest and people of interest. Let us not let the fox guard the chickens. Stop this bill. Mahalo.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 11:39 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: rufus808@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Lucas Miller
Organization: Individual
Address: 2140 a mauna pl honolulu, hi 96822
Phone: 808-548-0420
E-mail: rufus808@gmail.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 10:50 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: rikeweiss@hotmail.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Rike Weiss

Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: rikeweiss@hotmail.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Aloha:

Hawai`i was exemplary in its land use planning back in the 60s. Much has happened since then. If anything, citizen participation has increased over the years. Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 10:06 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: gladshawaii@yahoo.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Glads Bautista

Organization: Friends of Makakilo

Address: 92-1393 Punawainui St. Kapolei, HI 96707

Phone: 8086728849

E-mail: gladshawaii@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

I am oppose to any bill that allows counties to ask the State Land Use Commission to reclassify large tracks of land without giving residents the right to intervene. Certain farmland should be permanently zoned for Agricultural use only.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 9:48 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: mh@interpac.net
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Cory Harden
Organization: Individual
Address: Hilo
Phone:
E-mail: mh@interpac.net
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

More and more people are competing for less and less un-bulldozed-and-built land. Everyone's voices need to be heard.

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-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 9:40 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: pbdocberry@gmail.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Paul Berry

Organization: Individual

Address: 46-158 Kiowai St. #2411 Kaneohe, Hi 96744

Phone: 247-4090

E-mail: pbdocberry@gmail.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

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-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 9:04 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: DrAshley@hawaii.rr.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Darlene Ashley Fagan, Ph.D.

Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: DrAshley@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 8:59 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: dvspier@aloha.net

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

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Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: David V. Spier

Organization: Individual

Address: PO Box 1213 Hanalei, HI

Phone: (808) 8267302

E-mail: dvspier@aloha.net

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Democracy only works when the citizenry is involved in the decision making process. To give government closed door authority to make decisions that affect the well being of citizens is contrary to the good of the people and their government. To place the views the elected above the views of the people weakens democracy. It should be the duty of government to include the citizenry in the decision making process.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 8:54 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: tvandever76@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Timothy Vandever
Organization: Defend Oahu Coalition
Address: 59-080 Kam. Hwy. Unit #B Haleiwa
Phone: (808) 388-0660
E-mail: tvandever76@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

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-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 8:28 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: alohajade@aol.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Jade English

Organization: Individual

Address: PO Box 954 Kihei, HI

Phone: 808-250-2511

E-mail: alohajade@aol.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 7:48 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: dailyadventures@gmail.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: vanessa massey

Organization: Individual

Address: po box 883 Lahaina, HI

Phone: 8788830

E-mail: dailyadventures@gmail.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 7:44 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: maurizia@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Maurizia Zanin
Organization: Individual
Address: Alelo Rd Kalaheo, HI
Phone: 808-635-8049
E-mail: maurizia@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 7:31 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: hwnlampshades@aol.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: William J Towey III

Organization: Individual

Address: 198 Kailua Road Kailua, HI 96734

Phone: 808-261-4322

E-mail: hwnlampshades@aol.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

everybody should have a voice in what happens to the land, citizen participation should be allowed. defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 3:28 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: patachek@juno.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position:
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Patricia Matejcek
Organization: Individual
Address: PO Box 2067 Santa Cruz, CA
Phone: 8317613263
E-mail: patachek@juno.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

As someone with family in Hawaii and who visits often, I am deeply concerned by this proposal. In my state, California, the importance of citizen participation in land use decisions as the bulwark of democracy has been codified by the development of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); in my opinion, each state should have comparable legislation.

Citizen participation ensures land use decisions are based on complete information. We often find it necessary here to challenge biased studies paid for by developers. Only full public participation gives decision-makers sufficient information to enable them to attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. Public participation is a state's best hope to stop environmentally destructive projects.

I urge you to Defer HB 2338. It is imperative that the Counties not be allowed to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:34 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: greenhi3@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Philip Barnes
Organization: Individual
Address: Pahoa, HI 96778
Phone: 808 965-9695
E-mail: greenhi3@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

It is imperative that this blatant attack on democracy should not be passed. Our present policies ensure that decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

The reclassification of large tracts of land by the Counties without meaningful citizen participation is an affront to our basic democratic rights. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:33 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: daltonb@hawaii.rr.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: T. Boland

Organization: Individual

Address: 29 Maunaleo St Wailuku, HI

Phone: 808 242 5876

E-mail: daltonb@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizens should, and really must have input into questions regarding large tracts of land.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:29 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: gentlewave@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: David Dinner
Organization: Individual
Address: P.O. Box 942 HI
Phone: 808 639-7845
E-mail: gentlewave@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:26 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: octopus@maui.net
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Rene Umberger
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: octopus@maui.net
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Committee: WLO/EEP
Room: 325 Hearing Date: 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony in OPPOSITION HB2338
January 30, 2010

Aloha Chairs and members of the committees,

I am writing in opposition of HB 2338. Please don't take away our rights as citizens to be a part of land use choices. Sometimes the LUC needs our help too ☺

I can be contacted for questions at, meleanajudd@gmail.com or 551-8132.

Malama Pono,
Meleana Judd

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:13 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: lpizz@hawaiiantel.net
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position:
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Lynn Pizzitola
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: lpizz@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

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-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:08 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: jelywich@hawaii.rr.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: John Lynch

Organization: Individual

Address: 78-6035 Kiaaina St Kailua Kona, HI

Phone:

E-mail: jelywich@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

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-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 12:58 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: hi.realtor@yahoo.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Lisa Mathieu

Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone: 808-630-0510

E-mail: hi.realtor@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

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-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 6:08 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: twiggymunky@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kim Schneider
Organization: Individual
Address: Hauula, HI
Phone:
E-mail: twiggymunky@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

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-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 4:43 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: hollyh@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Holly Hayataka
Organization: Individual
Address: 2047 Nuuanu Ave Honolulu, Hawaii
Phone: 8083428606
E-mail: hollyh@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

I am against HB2338 because it will allow counties to reclassify large tracts of land without taking into consideration or even allowing residents of the community affected to testify and question land use studies which in some instances will be paid for by developers. Decisions are best made from a wide base of knowledge rather than from small special interest groups.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 4:35 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: Hautree77@aol.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Teri L. Skillman

Organization: Individual

Address: 3176 East Manoa Rd. Honolulu, HI 96822

Phone: (808) 956-8688

E-mail: Hautree77@aol.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. In my ersonal opinion, the Legislature should be restricting new buildings and developments on the island. We should have to be more proactive restoring existing structures to preserve our natural environment and to better care for our fresh water resources. Please defer HB 2338.

Mahalo,

Teri Skillman

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 2:39 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: makaala@hawaiian.net

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Makaala Kaaumoana

Organization: Hanalei Watershed Hui

Address: POB 1285 Hanalei, HI

Phone: 808-826-1985

E-mail: makaala@hawaiian.net

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Please defer this bad bill. Limiting citizen and community participation in the process of land designation at this critical time of identification of our important agricultural lands and the need for community engagement in the protection of our resources is a very bad idea at the worst time.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 9:35 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: rogercamp1@msn.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Roger Campbell

Organization: Individual

Address: Mililani, HI.

Phone:

E-mail: rogercamp1@msn.com

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

The right of citizens to participate in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic process. It ensures decisions are based on complete information and not just on what is desired by big business or developers.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 8:24 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: goeas@hawaii.edu

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Lori Lee Goeas

Organization: Individual

Address: 90-1014 Papaa Sreet Kapolei

Phone: 808-256-5933

E-mail: goeas@hawaii.edu

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information. It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 8:14 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: bobtomyb@hawaii.rr.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position:

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: tom youngblood

Organization: Individual

Address: 92-1289 oahi place kapolei

Phone: 808672-7910

E-mail: bobtomyb@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Please no Hoopili. Mufi will lose my vote if he still supports it.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 2:29 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: kimberly@kimberlydark.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kimberly Dark
Organization: Individual
Address: RR 2 Box 4570 Pahoia, HI 96778
Phone: 808-965-6533
E-mail: kimberly@kimberlydark.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 2:12 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: fred@anuenue.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Fred Wells

Organization: Individual

Address: 6163 Waipouli Rd. HI

Phone: 808 8238335

E-mail: fred@anuenue.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Do not deprive individuals from the right to participate in the decision making affecting their lives. This is a democracy.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 6:50 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: reachbrianbell@yahoo.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Brian Bell

Organization: Individual

Address: 3133 Waiialae Ave. #3142 Honolulu, HI 96816

Phone: 808-227-7087

E-mail: reachbrianbell@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Are you guys serious?

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 3:08 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: wbest@alum.haverford.edu

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Will Best

Organization: Individual

Address: 1419 Dominis St. #1208 HI

Phone:

E-mail: wbest@alum.haverford.edu

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 3:03 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: lorrainburgess@aol.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: lorrain burgess

Organization: Individual

Address: 92-1256 hunekai st makakilo, hi

Phone: 672-9551

E-mail: lorrainburgess@aol.com

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

If I understand this bill correctly, it would appear this would allow the by-passing of public input on land use issues which, of course, is something I ABSOLUTELY OPPOSE.

I will be watching this bill carefully and will note which legislators support such a 'closed door' procedure. Support of such will speak volumes in regard to who it is a legislator is truly serving.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 11:57 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: CHEFNHERRY@HAWAII.RR.COM

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: K BERTRAM

Organization: Individual

Address: 91 1119 KUMUIKI STREET KAPOLEI

Phone: 6748866

E-mail: CHEFNHERRY@HAWAII.RR.COM

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

THE IDEA THAT ANY INDIVIDUAL OR AGENCY SHOULD HAVE THE POWER TO IGNORE PUBLIC OPINION IS REPREHENSIBLE.IT SMACKS OF ANOTHER POWER GRAB BY OUR SPECIAL AND UNION INTERESTS DRIVEN LEGISLATURE AND CITY COUNCIL.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 11:54 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: janice_san@hotmail.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: janice aguinaldo

Organization: Individual

Address: 92659 wainohia pl kapolei hi

Phone: 8082207949

E-mail: janice_san@hotmail.com

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

No more homes. We need to save what productive farmland we still have. Kapolei is already a transportation nightmare. I have been a resident of Makakilo since 1968 and have seen many changes. Some good and some not so good. I don't see how developing more homes would be a good thing for Kapolei. Enough already. Please.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 11:38 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: cahia@hawaiiantel.net

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Christine Ahia

Organization: Individual

Address: 303 Iwalani St. HI

Phone: 808 959-9396

E-mail: cahia@hawaiiantel.net

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition and should be upheld. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. This has already become an issue in Hawai'i County. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 11:35 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: naualii@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Karin Ingersoll
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: naualii@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

Sincerely, Karin Ingersoll

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 10:46 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: yehyeh@rocketmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Thomas J Smith
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: yehyeh@rocketmail.com
Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 10:37 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: katelibu@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Katie Stevens
Organization: Individual
Address: 2042 Nu Pl Honolulu, HI
Phone: 808-295-3903
E-mail: katelibu@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

it is critical that the people be allowed to participate in changes, development, and anything that greatly affects them, and future generations.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 4:14 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: kkelleylau@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kristen Kelley Lau
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: kkelleylau@gmail.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of a democracy. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects. Essentially, it keeps corporate interests from gaining complete control of the land in our state.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. To allow this would be a huge mistake, and a huge blow to our government "of the people, by the people, and for the people." Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 4:01 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: mfelman@hawaiiantel.net

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Mark Felman

Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone: 808-672-8785

E-mail: mfelman@hawaiiantel.net

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information. (which may involve directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not grant the Counties the power to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 3:46 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: harmonyrainbow5@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Harmony Bentosino
Organization: Friends of Makakilo
Address: 92-1242 Makakilo Dr. #49 Kapolei, HI
Phone: 672-8595
E-mail: harmonyrainbow5@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

It is essential for citizens to be able to testify at land use hearings. This will add more balanced input and could offset some very bad environmental decisions/

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 3:44 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: DSLOUCKS@HOTMAIL.COM

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: DAN LOUCKS

Organization: Individual

Address: 92-1099 MAKAKILO DR. KAPOLEI HI

Phone: 2264769

E-mail: DSLOUCKS@HOTMAIL.COM

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 3:24 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: shellebel@hotmail.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Michelle McLinden

Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: shellebel@hotmail.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. It may also stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 3:21 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: bkiakona@hotmail.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

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Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Barbara Kiakona

Organization: Individual

Address: 352 Hualani St. Kailua, HI

Phone: 262-5841

E-mail: bkiakona@hotmail.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 3:01 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: lesqs@att.net

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: LESTER Q SPIELVOGEL

Organization: Individual

Address: 619 kumukahi pl honolulu, hi

Phone: 395-7790

E-mail: lesqs@att.net

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

please register my opinion

in opposition to this bill.

land use is a fundamental part

of our Hawaiian heritage. The people must have the right to state their opinion

in an open forum, not to have

legislators define uses in back rooms.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 2:54 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: alanaisforlovers@aol.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Alana Bryant

Organization: Individual

Address: 2746 Kahawai Street HI

Phone: 808 429-0479

E-mail: alanaisforlovers@aol.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 2:51 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: heleny@hawaii.rr.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Helen Yahner

Organization: Individual

Address: 43 Lijau St. Kapaa, HI 96746

Phone: 808 822 3988

E-mail: heleny@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 1/30/2010

Comments:

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizens participation. Defer HB 2338.

Land is precious and cannot be replace or returned to its natural state. We have and are seeing the mess and the destruction of parts of Kauai because of faulty planning and inappropriate division and/or use. Each county should have a say in how large tracts of land should be considered for the well being of the county. Please do not allow sell outs to the highest bidder without due consideration of the use of the land and the well being of the island county. Without protection of the land, there soon will be no land and no Hawaii.

Thank you. Helen Yahner

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 8:46 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: vbennett@hawaii.edu

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Virginia Bennett

Organization: Individual

Address: 1201 Wilder Ave Honolulu

Phone: 536 9597

E-mail: vbennett@hawaii.edu

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Residents of the State of Hawaii and its counties should be allowed to make comments, and if necessary hold a referendum on the usage of land and its effect upon their communities in this state.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 6:50 AM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: oahurandy@yahoo.com

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Randy Ching

Organization: Individual

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: oahurandy@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 2/1/2010

Comments:

HB2338 would eliminate meaningful citizen participation for any county initiated reclassification.

HB2338 would shift the LUC's focus from individual projects, like Ho`opili, to simply adopting the county general plans/urban growth boundaries.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 9:06 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: DrKioniDudley@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Dr. Kioni Dudley
Organization: Friends of Makakilo
Address: 92-1365 Hauone St. Kapolei, HI
Phone: 672-8888
E-mail: DrKioniDudley@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

There are only two areas on Oahu which the city designates as within the Urban Growth Boundary which have not been developed: Ho'opili (owned by D.R. Horton) and Koa Ridge (owned by Castle&Cooke). There is strong community opposition to both developments. There is also strong state opposition to Ho'opili from the DOA, DOT, and OP, and nearly as strong opposition to Koa Ridge. The Land Use Commission found the Ho'opili petition for reclassification from agriculture to urban to be deficient, in effect turning down the project, at least for the time being. This bill seems to be an end run around the Land Use Commission. While they can still vote No, to do so in face of Honolulu County would be difficult.

It also keeps the citizenry from having any effective voice. The contested hearings of the LUC are set up so that the citizens are on an equal footing. Having been an intervenor, let me tell you that every right the intervenor has is essential to winning a case, or to even presenting a case.

For years, there have been efforts to get rid of the state LUC oversight of county desires. The process, however, has served Hawaii well. It should be left as it is.

What it comes down to is the question of Who comes first? Is it corporations, or government entities bent on serving politicians, or the people. Long before Lincoln that question had been answered, we have a government of the people, by the people, and FOR THE PEOPLE.

I strongly oppose this bill.

-----Original Message-----

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov [mailto:mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2010 9:30 PM

To: WLOtestimony

Cc: KTANNENBAUM@GMAIL.COM

Subject: Testimony for HB2338 on 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO/EEP 2/1/2010 10:00:00 AM HB2338

Conference room: 325

Testifier position: oppose

Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: KATHRYN TANNENBAUM

Organization: Individual

Address: 1318 ANACAPA SANTA BARBARA

Phone: 5592730304

E-mail: KTANNENBAUM@GMAIL.COM

Submitted on: 1/31/2010

Comments:

Citizen participation in land use permitting decisions is an essential part of our democratic tradition. It ensures decisions are based on complete information (which may involved directly challenging biased studies paid for by developers). It gives decision makers sufficient information so that they can attach protective, enforceable conditions to permits. And it may stop environmentally destructive projects.

Please do not allow the Counties to reclassify large tracts of land without meaningful citizen participation. Defer HB 2338.