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## LATE TESTIMONY

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COMMENTS PROVIDED BY ALAPAKI NAHALE-A, CHAIRMAN DESIGNATE  
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION  
BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
ON HB 1154, RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS

February 2, 2011

Chair Hanohano, Vice-Chair Lee and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands supports the purpose and intent of this bill to continue the work of the Aha Kiole, which provides input based on the indigenous management practices of each moku to state and county agencies; aides in the comprehensive set of best practices for natural and cultural resource management; fosters understanding of and the practical use of knowledge including Native Hawaiian methodology and expertise; and enhances community education and cultural awareness.

While we support the work of the Aha Kiole and the concept of ahupuaa-based indigenous management practices guiding the oversight of the state's natural resources, we ultimately defer to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, the lead agency, to determine the feasibility and fiscal impact of this measure.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide these comments.

**LATE TESTIMONY**



**HB 1154**  
**RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS**  
House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

February 2, 2011

8:30 a.m.

Room 329

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) offers the following comments on HB 1154, which would establish the 'Aha Kiole Advisory Commission placed within the Department of Land and Natural Resources. OHA supports the intent of HB 1154 as we believe this bill would allow the state to improve its resource management policies through adoption of traditional, community-based natural resource management.

Creating an 'Aha Kiole Commission within DLNR to advise the governor would empower Native Hawaiians to participate in the management of Hawai'i's natural, cultural, and historical resources. It would also aid the state in making better resource management decisions. Local communities that have lived off the resources of their respective ahupua'a and have studied the area's conditions and resources over generations, have the best knowledge on when it is the proper time to harvest, to kapu, to heal, to monitor, to inspect, and to take accountings. Native Hawaiians have centuries of traditional knowledge upon which to draw and have an interest in perpetuating Native Hawaiian traditions and customs and the resources they rely upon, for generations to come. The 'Aha Kiole Commission can provide much needed input to state agencies, particularly those agencies and divisions that may not have institutional knowledge of Native Hawaiians traditional, community-based natural resource management. Ultimately, there is potential for the commission to assist the state in becoming better resource managers.

OHA supports an open and fair selection process of the proposed eight-member 'Aha Kiole Commission and believes that a transparent and inclusive selection process would strengthen the commission and any actions it may undertake.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.



2/1/2011

Aloha Hawaiian State Legislature,

I submit this letter as support for bill HB 1154 on behalf of the Save Honolua Coalition. Our environmental organization recognizes Aha Moku as a crucial element to achieving our mission which is to maintain open space, public access, and revitalize the ecosystem of Honolua Ahupua'a through community based management utilizing Hawaiian practices and values.

In the current system, there is a disconnect between the people who know how to malama 'aina and those who make policy regarding the land, sea, and all natural resources. The DLNR is limited by a lack of a mauka to makai stewardship plan. We recognize HB 1154 and Aha Moku as the best way to bring back local stewardship to the individual, dynamic and unique areas of each island. We support the legislature in its efforts through Aha Moku and HB 1154 to recognize the Hawaiian expertise as a way of saving our important environmental resources from the downward decline that they are in. In addition to passing HB 1154 we also request that funding be appropriated for the DLNR and Aha Moku councils. Without funding, Aha Moku can not be established.

For hundreds of years, Hawaii's natural resources flourished as the people participated in the ahupua'a system. Today we believe that these practices are not being adequately considered in the management of our land and natural resources, and that the Aha Moku councils can play a crucial preservation role in this. Please pass HB 1154.

Mahalo,  
John Carty  
Secretary, Save Honolua Coalition

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**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154**  
**RELATING TO THE `AHA KIOLE ADVISORY**  
**COMMISSION**

Submitted to: COMMITTEE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS, Chairperson Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Charles Kapua, Moku o Pu`uloa, & Immediate Past-President of the O`ahu Council of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs

Aloha Chair Hanohano and Members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **STRONG SUPPORT** HB1154. This bill establishes the Aha Kiole Advisory Commission within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor on all matters regarding the management of the State's Land and Natural Resources to continue the work of the `Aha Kiole Advisory Committee started in 2007.

The Aha Moku System is a true community consultation process through which communities can promote, educate and organize traditional resource management principles that is site-specific. Knowledge is gleaned from thousands of years of generational wisdom. The integration of Native Hawaiian proven resource methodology into current governmental policies empowers Native Hawaiians. Overarching laws that govern natural resources in Hawaii are shown to not work – natural resources vary from island to island and their health is dependent on specific seasons, both marine and land. This bill brings communities together to manage their own resources in their own ahupua`a.

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs is a national organization, from Washing D.C., Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Nevada, California, Washington State and the islands in Hawai`i have a membership of over three-thousand strong; and have supported this effort since its beginning in 2005. A Resolution supporting the Aha Moku System has been ratified and passed at every convention since 2006, including this year. Act 212 was the result of the AHCC resolution passed in 2006. This bill (HB1154) came about because of the Aha Moku Resolution passed at our 51<sup>st</sup> annual Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Convention held in Kailua, Kona on the island of Hawai`i and is the only resolution passed at our convention to be turned into a Bill for an Act. To continue the work of the residents, both Hawaiian and non-Hawaiian who make up the Aha Moku Council and over 500 ahupua`a in Hawai`i, the Aha Kiole Commission must be created and the Aha Moku System System formally recognized in the State of Hawai`i.

I ask that you all support the passage of H.B. 1154.

Mahalo and Aloha,

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**Basil Oshiro, President  
Maui Cooperative Fishing Association**

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154**

**RELATING TO THE AHA KIOLE COMMISSION**

Submitted to: Hearing of the Hawaiian Affairs Committee, Chair Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 8:30 a.m.

Submitted by: Basil Oshiro, President, Maui Cooperative Fishing Association

Aloha Chair Hanohano and members of the House Committee of Hawaiian Affairs.

We thank you for this opportunity to testify in STRONG support of HB-1154. This bill that creates the Aha Kiole commission within our State Department of Land and Natural Resources, and will formalize the Aha Moku System for our state of Hawai'i.

We agree that the Aha Moku System as truly community based, which will promote education, organize traditions and culture, conserve and manage our natural resources with best practices. This will be site specific as passed down from generation to generation for thousands of years of wisdom from our elders.

We feel that the Aha Kiole commission as an advisory to the govern on site natural resources and matters. Again, Best practice. As existing rules and regulations deems, not working and hard to enforce.

The Aha Kiole Commission shall/will provide, educate, support best practices, based with indigenous management of each area to conserve our natural resources and protect our culture and traditions.

Again: We are in STRONG SUPPORT OF HB-1154

Yours Truly:

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Hawaiian Affairs Committee  
Wednesday, February 2, 2011  
Conference Room 329, 8:30 a.m., State Capitol

***Testimony In SUPPORT OF HB 1154***

Aloha Chairman Hanohano, and members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs:

On behalf of the Princess Ka'iulani Hawaiian Civic Club, we support HB 1154 which establishes the Aha Kiole Advisory Commission to be placed within the State Department of Land and Natural Resources to serve in an advisory capacity to the governor on all matters regarding the management of the State's land and natural resources.

The Princess Ka'iulani Hawaiian Civic Club is a Hawaiian Ali'i Civic Club created to honor our Ali'i, Princess Ka'iulani who was known to be a fierce protector of Hawaii's unique natural resources as they pertained to the Hawaiian culture. The Aha Moku System which includes the Aha Kiole Commission would be formally recognized through HB 1154 and is a traditional land and ocean management system dating from the 9<sup>th</sup> Century was used extensively during the lifetime of Princess Ka'iulani and has been proven to sustain the environment and ecosystem of Hawaii from ancient times to now.

We believe that to protect our diminishing natural and cultural resources in Hawai'i, the Aha Kiole Commission must be put in place, and the Aha Moku System formally recognized by the State and Counties. This can be done through Act 212 and HB 1154 which strengthens the Act and empowers communities in decision-making on natural and cultural resource management through a strong consultation process.

In 2010 at the annual convention of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (AHCC) in Kona, the 59 Hawaiian Civic Clubs from around the nation ratified and passed a resolution urging the State of Hawaii to support the development of the Aha Moku System of natural resource management as part of the management regime of natural resources in Hawaii. As a member of the AHCC, but more importantly as a club who is dedicated to the welfare of Hawai'i and its natural and cultural resources as mandated by our Princess Ka'iulani, we urge you to pass HB 1154.

Mahalo,

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## Jennifer Wilbur

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**From:** Mahealani Cypher [malama pono@aol.com]  
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**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Subject:** Testimony on H.B. 1154, Relating to Native Hawaiians

Aloha mai kakou!

This testimony is being transmitted on behalf of Aunty Alice P. Hewett, president of the Ko`olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club:

The Ko`olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club wishes to express its reservations regarding H.B. 1154, which would create an `aha kiole commission to be established in the department of land and natural resources as advisory to the governor.

Several years ago, this Legislature passed into law a measure that would have led to the establishment of the `Aha Moku Councils for each of the islands. We believed then, as we do today, that the `Aha Moku Council approach to encouraging informed mana`o from the islands and their ahupua`a would be beneficial to native Hawaiians and to the broader community and the state of Hawai`i.

However, we are concerned that the bill before us today would make it possible for the existing "Aha Kiole" to take the place of traditionally-established `Aha Moku Councils on each of our islands. It is our view that, when the current `Aha Kiole was formed, the proper process was not always followed to ensure that traditional practices guided their formation.

Traditionally, `aha councils are formed in each ahupua`a and they are chosen from among the people of that ahupua`a - generally, individuals with expertise in a various traditional skills, not just fishing and farming. The `aha councils would then select their representative to the moku (district) councils, which would then select their representative to the mukupuni (island) councils, and then on to the overall `Aha Moku Council.

Therefore, we ask that this bill be amended to incorporate language that respects our traditional approach to ahupua`a land and resource management, and that the process of selecting representatives to the `Aha Moku Council be reinforced in state law.

We have aloha for all of the cultural practitioners who have participated in the puwalu organized by the Western Pacific Fisheries group, but we urge that if this bill passes, the process should begin again with representatives selected by the grassroots, the people of the ahupua`a and islands of Hawai`i nei.

Mahalo for this opportunity to give our comments on this legislation.

Me kealoha pumehana,

ALICE P. HEWETT  
President  
Ko`olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club

Representative Faye Hanohano, Chair  
Hawaiian Affairs Committee  
FAX: 808-586-4531  
Aloha Kakaou ; ;  
Subject: Aha Moku Bill-HB 1154

Testimonies supporting this at a meeting held  
in November 2008 were concerns broken down by  
Moku: There are six Moku of Kawai namely:

Koiaua 1107 Halele'a 177 Napali 177 Waimea 13  
Puna 1137 and Kona 1137. Kanaka maoli of  
the Island Kawai are very protective of our  
resources.

These are the concerns brought forth in  
the early part of 2008 at the public community  
meetings that was held.

Re: Halele'a / Napali Moku:

1. Tui displacement.
2. Coastal erosion.
3. Water / stream flow to Loi.
4. Moku (fish) replenishment.
5. Access to fishing grounds.
6. Beach access.
7. Stream diversion in uplands.
8. Removal of invasive species, i.e. Lima, fish, etc.
9. Regrowth and replenishment of sustainable Lima fish.
10. Runoff of stream, reef, ocean.
11. Fishing rates, etc.
12. No GMD of tui until studies are complete.



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13. Farms, new construction, golf course maintenance.
14. Rock removal, etc.
15. Need for enforcement/monitoring.
16. Funding for enforcement, i.e.
17. Entrance fee to Thera State Park

February 2, 2011 (2)

Aloha Rep. Hano Hano, chair, Rep. Lee, vice chair and Committee Members

Re: HB1154 Relating to Native Hawaiian create an 'aha kiole commission to be located in the Dept. of Land and Natural Resources, to serve in an advisory capacity to the governor.

I support HB1154, because in the early 1990's Minami Golf Course, now known as Ko'olau Golf Course in Kaneohe developers did not heed the advice of the Windward Hawaiian groups' knowledge that when the rain falls on their proposed golf course, the land will flood due to it being part of the Rain Belt.

Please support HB1154 so the governor will have sound advice relating to future decisions the Dept. of Land and Natural Resources will make.

Paulette Tam, Concerned Kaneohe Resident

February 1, 2011

Michael E K Forcum Sr  
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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154, RELATING TO THE AHA KIOLE COMMISSION

Submitted to: Hearing of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Chair Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Michael E K Forcum Sr.

Aloha Chair Hanohano and Members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of H.B. 1154, the bill that creates the Aha Kiole Commission within the State Department of Land and Natural Resources and formalizes the Aha Moku System for the State of Hawaii.

I am a Native to the Last Hawaiian Fishing Village of Miloli'i, South Kona on the Big Island of HI. I have been involved with the Aha Kiole Commission since it has begun. I strongly support this Bill due to the following:

- The Aha Moku System is a true community consultation process through which communities can promote, educate and organize traditional resource management principles that is site-specific
- Knowledge is gleaned from thousands of years of generational wisdom
- Integration of Native Hawaiian proven resource methodology into current governmental policies
- The Aha Kiole Commission is an advisory to the governor on site specific natural resource matters
- Overarching laws are that govern natural resources in Hawaii are shown to not work – natural resources vary island to island and their health is dependent on specific seasons, both marine and land
- This bill brings communities together to manage their own resources in their own ahupua'a which Miloli'i has been the fore front of this most important Kuleana.

I humbly ask that you allow our Aha Kiole commission to pass and allow us the people to take care of the KULEANA that has been set forth for us.

Mahalo ~

*Michael EK Forcum Sr.*

Miloli'i Makai Watch

February 1, 2011

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I humbly ask that you allow our Aha Kiole commission to pass and allow us the people to take care of the KULEANA that has been set forth for us. The village of Miloli'i has already a Bill in place to allow the people of Miloli'i to build best practices for the marine life in Miloli'i. With the passing of Bill 1154 Miloli'i will be able to collaborate its efforts with the State of HI DLNR with open understanding of the focus to manage and replenish for future generations.

Mahalo ~

*LaCher K Napeahi-Forcum*

**Jennifer Wilbur**

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**From:** Angienora Rogers [rangien2010@yahoo.com]  
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**Subject:** Testimony in Strong Support of HB 1154

**Testimony in Strong Support of HB 1154, Relating to the AHA KIOLE Commission**

**To: Committee on Hawaiian Affairs**  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 2, 2011  
**Time:** 8:30 AM  
**Place:** Room 329

**From: Pua Nani Rogers, Ahupua`a o Kealia**  
Aha Moku Council - Kaua`i

E welina me kealoha kakou,

My name is Pua Nani Rogers from Kaua`i. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify on this important bill, HB 1154.

I speak in **strong support** of this measure and urge you to vote yes to the continuance of the Aha Kiole Commission within the DLNR and until its purposes are fulfilled. To do what the Aha Kiole needs to do on each island, we will need the help of you, our legislators, to work with us in concert to start the process of protecting and preserving our culturally sacred and natural resources of each and all of our islands; ahupua`a by ahupua`a.

We have held numerous meetings on each island and arrived on a consensual agreement on how we would begin the process on each island. Kaua`i is makaukau.

Please give us a chance to try out this ahupua`a- based resource management process and please support our efforts in partnership of this great undertaking.

Mahalo for your supporting vote for HB 1154.

Pua Nani Rogers  
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Testimony for HAW 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM HB1154

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**Comments:**

I am Cheryl Lovell-Obatake, Aha Kiole / Puna District Representative of Kaua'i Moku-puni and I support HB 1154.  
Mahalo.

**Jennifer Wilbur**

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154, RELATING TO THE AHA KIOLE COMMISSION

Submitted to: Hearing of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Chair Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Star Carlin

Aloha Chair Hanohano and Members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,  
Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of H.B. 1154, the bill that creates the Aha Kiole Commission within the State Department of Land and Natural Resources and formalizes the Aha Moku System for the State of Hawaii.

The Aha Kiole Commission is a timely measure that would allow integration of Native Hawaiian proven resource methodology into current governmental policies. This bill brings communities together to manage their own resources in their own ahupua'a. It recognizes the need for resource management that is site specific in order to meet the needs of our diverse island ecosystems since natural resources vary island to island and their health is dependent on specific seasons, both marine and land.

Respectfully,  
Star Carlin

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Submitted on: 2/1/2011

### Comments:

I am a Kupuna and my name is Orpha U. Kinney Kaina.

The time has come for all to answer to the call and wisdom of Na Kupuna 'o Hawaii Nei a me na Kupuna i hala ana.

I speak for them and I speak for all of our people. We need this 'Aha Moku, it will be a big difference where people will learn of the culture, their practical practices, their generational knowledge will become so ethnically valuable with all nationalities living and looking the way of the 'Ahupua'a together with their Konohiki (stewards).

You can see the kalo has become so well known and used for feeding the families. The luau leaf is well applied and used in laulau sales from within the young generation. I am so anxious and can't wait to see the glowing looks on the children's faces at the flowing of the streams.

The children needs to see the culture in the 'Ahupua'a more than these so called galavantors knocking down the pohaku, opening the holes of our kupuna iwi, costing the state and people's taxes to pay for their carelessness.

Let's maka'ala and clasps our hands together legislators and do it right once and for all. Please, don't let our 2 year olds look at the backside of an adult and wander. We need to put them in front. We need to build their foundation, maintain cleanliness and help them become stalwarts.

I am a D.O.E. Kupuna. I love what I do. One of the teachings that was taught to a 2 year old in the Kauhale life style is:

Whenever the family had to go to Mauka to get water for them-it was carried in the ipu gourds. A 2 year old had his own ipu gourd. If he spilled it on the way down-there was no going back til the next run. So even the 2 year old learned.

Legislators, lets not throw what we have that is already so valuable. I saw these Kupuna before they went and they are still in us in spirit and in truth. They worked day and night to get this 'Aha Moku and 'Aha Kiolo in order and the Lord saw it fit for them to leave, because he has said, "There is not the spirit of fear, but of the power of love and of a sound mind.



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**Comments:**

This system has been in place for the sustainability of our people for years. I am positive that the rising of the kuleana for all of Hawaii is soon to take place, because of the 'Aha Moku System, with the essence of the 'Aha Kiole. This is PONO!

## Jennifer Wilbur

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**Comments:**

We look forward to engaging ourselves in the kuleana of the 'Aha Moku System. Thank you for your support in this.



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**Comments:**

Your support and consideration of the 'Aha Moku System is valuable and appreciated.

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**Comments:**

The 'Aha Moku System is an ancient system that is of inclusive today for all of Hawaii to be a part of. It was the people's Council back then, as it can be the same for all of Hawaii today. WE NEED YOUR OUTMOST SUPPORT IN THIS, mahalo.



**HB 1154**  
**RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS**  
House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs

February 2, 2011

8:30 a.m.

Room 329

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) offers the following comments on HB 1154, which would establish the 'Aha Kiole Advisory Commission placed within the Department of Land and Natural Resources. OHA supports the intent of HB 1154 as we believe this bill would allow the state to improve its resource management policies through adoption of traditional, community-based natural resource management.

Creating an 'Aha Kiole Commission within DLNR to advise the governor would empower Native Hawaiians to participate in the management of Hawai'i's natural, cultural, and historical resources. It would also aid the state in making better resource management decisions. Local communities that have lived off the resources of their respective ahupua'a and have studied the area's conditions and resources over generations, have the best knowledge on when it is the proper time to harvest, to kapu, to heal, to monitor, to inspect, and to take accountings. Native Hawaiians have centuries of traditional knowledge upon which to draw and have an interest in perpetuating Native Hawaiian traditions and customs and the resources they rely upon, for generations to come. The 'Aha Kiole Commission can provide much needed input to state agencies, particularly those agencies and divisions that may not have institutional knowledge of Native Hawaiians traditional, community-based natural resource management. Ultimately, there is potential for the commission to assist the state in becoming better resource managers.

OHA supports an open and fair selection process of the proposed eight-member 'Aha Kiole Commission and believes that a transparent and inclusive selection process would strengthen the commission and any actions it may undertake.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.



2/1/2011

Aloha Hawaiian State Legislature,

I submit this letter as support for bill HB 1154 on behalf of the Save Honolua Coalition. Our environmental organization recognizes Aha Moku as a crucial element to achieving our mission which is to maintain open space, public access, and revitalize the ecosystem of Honolua Ahupua'a through community based management utilizing Hawaiian practices and values.

In the current system, there is a disconnect between the people who know how to malama 'aina and those who make policy regarding the land, sea, and all natural resources. The DLNR is limited by a lack of a mauka to makai stewardship plan. We recognize HB 1154 and Aha Moku as the best way to bring back local stewardship to the individual, dynamic and unique areas of each island. We support the legislature in its efforts through Aha Moku and HB 1154 to recognize the Hawaiian expertise as a way of saving our important environmental resources from the downward decline that they are in. In addition to passing HB 1154 we also request that funding be appropriated for the DLNR and Aha Moku councils. Without funding, Aha Moku can not be established.

For hundreds of years, Hawaii's natural resources flourished as the people participated in the ahupua'a system. Today we believe that these practices are not being adequately considered in the management of our land and natural resources, and that the Aha Moku councils can play a crucial preservation role in this. Please pass HB 1154.

Mahalo,  
John Carty  
Secretary, Save Honolua Coalition

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**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154**  
**RELATING TO THE `AHA KIOLE ADVISORY**  
**COMMISSION**

Submitted to: COMMITTEE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS, Chairperson Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Charles Kapua, Moku o Pu`uloa, & Immediate Past-President of the O`ahu Council of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs

Aloha Chair Hanohano and Members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **STRONG SUPPORT** HB1154. This bill establishes the Aha Kiole Advisory Commission within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor on all matters regarding the management of the State's Land and Natural Resources to continue the work of the `Aha Kiole Advisory Committee started in 2007.

The Aha Moku System is a true community consultation process through which communities can promote, educate and organize traditional resource management principles that is site-specific. Knowledge is gleaned from thousands of years of generational wisdom. The integration of Native Hawaiian proven resource methodology into current governmental policies empowers Native Hawaiians. Overarching laws that govern natural resources in Hawaii are shown to not work – natural resources vary from island to island and their health is dependent on specific seasons, both marine and land. This bill brings communities together to manage their own resources in their own ahupua`a.

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs is a national organization, from Washing D.C., Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Nevada, California, Washington State and the islands in Hawai`i have a membership of over three-thousand strong; and have supported this effort since its beginning in 2005. A Resolution supporting the Aha Moku System has been ratified and passed at every convention since 2006, including this year. Act 212 was the result of the AHCC resolution passed in 2006. This bill (HB1154) came about because of the Aha Moku Resolution passed at our 51<sup>st</sup> annual Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs Convention held in Kailua, Kona on the island of Hawai`i and is the only resolution passed at our convention to be turned into a Bill for an Act. To continue the work of the residents, both Hawaiian and non-Hawaiian who make up the Aha Moku Council and over 500 ahupua`a in Hawai`i, the Aha Kiole Commission must be created and the Aha Moku System System formally recognized in the State of Hawai`i.

I ask that you all support the passage of H.B. 1154.

Mahalo and Aloha,

Charles Kapua  
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Pearl City, Hawaii, 96782  
Phone: (808) 479-3264

**Basil Oshiro, President  
Maui Cooperative Fishing Association**

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154**

**RELATING TO THE AHA KIOLE COMMISSION**

Submitted to: Hearing of the Hawaiian Affairs Committee, Chair Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 8:30 a.m.

Submitted by: Basil Oshiro, President, Maui Cooperative Fishing Association

Aloha Chair Hanohano and members of the House Committee of Hawaiian Affairs.

We thank you for this opportunity to testify in STRONG support of HB-1154. This bill that creates the Aha Kiole commission within our State Department of Land and Natural Resources, and will formalize the Aha Moku System for our state of Hawai'i.

We agree that the Aha Moku System as truly community based, which will promote education, organize traditions and culture, conserve and manage our natural resources with best practices. This will be site specific as passed down from generation to generation for thousands of years of wisdom from our elders.

We feel that the Aha Kiole commission as an advisory to the govern on site natural resources and matters. Again, Best practice. As existing rules and regulations deems, not working and hard to enforce.

The Aha Kiole Commission shall/will provide, educate, support best practices, based with indigenous management of each area to conserve our natural resources and protect our culture and traditions.

Again: We are in STRONG SUPPORT OF HB-1154

Yours Truly:

Basil Oshiro, President  
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Hawaiian Affairs Committee  
Wednesday, February 2, 2011  
Conference Room 329, 8:30 a.m., State Capitol

***Testimony In SUPPORT OF HB 1154***

Aloha Chairman Hanohano, and members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs:

On behalf of the Princess Ka'iulani Hawaiian Civic Club, we support HB 1154 which establishes the Aha Kiole Advisory Commission to be placed within the State Department of Land and Natural Resources to serve in an advisory capacity to the governor on all matters regarding the management of the State's land and natural resources.

The Princess Ka'iulani Hawaiian Civic Club is a Hawaiian Ali'i Civic Club created to honor our Ali'i, Princess Ka'iulani who was known to be a fierce protector of Hawaii's unique natural resources as they pertained to the Hawaiian culture. The Aha Moku System which includes the Aha Kiole Commission would be formally recognized through HB 1154 and is a traditional land and ocean management system dating from the 9<sup>th</sup> Century was used extensively during the lifetime of Princess Ka'iulani and has been proven to sustain the environment and ecosystem of Hawaii from ancient times to now.

We believe that to protect our diminishing natural and cultural resources in Hawai'i, the Aha Kiole Commission must be put in place, and the Aha Moku System formally recognized by the State and Counties. This can be done through Act 212 and HB 1154 which strengthens the Act and empowers communities in decision-making on natural and cultural resource management through a strong consultation process.

In 2010 at the annual convention of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (AHCC) in Kona, the 59 Hawaiian Civic Clubs from around the nation ratified and passed a resolution urging the State of Hawaii to support the development of the Aha Moku System of natural resource management as part of the management regime of natural resources in Hawaii. As a member of the AHCC, but more importantly as a club who is dedicated to the welfare of Hawai'i and its natural and cultural resources as mandated by our Princess Ka'iulani, we urge you to pass HB 1154.

Mahalo,

Summer Keliipio, President  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 5:20 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Subject:** Testimony on H.B. 1154, Relating to Native Hawaiians

Aloha mai kakou!

This testimony is being transmitted on behalf of Aunty Alice P. Hewett, president of the Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club:

The Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club wishes to express its reservations regarding H.B. 1154, which would create an `aha kiole commission to be established in the department of land and natural resources as advisory to the governor.

Several years ago, this Legislature passed into law a measure that would have led to the establishment of the `Aha Moku Councils for each of the islands. We believed then, as we do today, that the `Aha Moku Council approach to encouraging informed mana`o from the islands and their ahupua`a would be beneficial to native Hawaiians and to the broader community and the state of Hawai`i.

However, we are concerned that the bill before us today would make it possible for the existing "Aha Kiole" to take the place of traditionally-established `Aha Moku Councils on each of our islands. It is our view that, when the current `Aha Kiole was formed, the proper process was not always followed to ensure that traditional practices guided their formation.

Traditionally, `aha councils are formed in each ahupua`a and they are chosen from among the people of that ahupua`a - generally, individuals with expertise in a various traditional skills, not just fishing and farming. The `aha councils would then select their representative to the moku (district) councils, which would then select their representative to the mukupuni (island) councils, and then on to the overall `Aha Moku Council.

Therefore, we ask that this bill be amended to incorporate language that respects our traditional approach to ahupua`a land and resource management, and that the process of selecting representatives to the `Aha Moku Council be reinforced in state law.

We have aloha for all of the cultural practitioners who have participated in the puwalu organized by the Western Pacific Fisheries group, but we urge that if this bill passes, the process should begin again with representatives selected by the grassroots, the people of the ahupua`a and islands of Hawai`i nei.

Mahalo for this opportunity to give our comments on this legislation.

Me kealoha pumehana,

ALICE P. HEWETT  
President  
Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club

1. Tui displacement.
2. Coastaline erosion.
3. Water / stream flow to Loi.
4. Mo'i (fish) replenishment.
5. Access to fishing grounds.
6. Beach access.
7. Stream diversion in uplands.
8. Removal of invasive species, i.e. Lima, fish, etc.
9. Regrowth and replenishment of sustainable Lima fish.
10. Runoff of stream, reef, ocean.
11. Fishing rates, etc.
12. No GMD of land until studies are complete.

Re: Halele'a / Napali Moku:

The early part of 2008 at the public community meetings that was held. These are the concerns brought forth in resources.

The Island Kauai are very protective of our Puna L1A7 and Kona L1A7. Kanaka maoli of Koolau L107 Halele'a L77 Napali L77 Usaima L13 Moku: There are six Moku of Kauai namely:

In November 2008 were concerns broken down by Testimonies supporting this at a meeting held

Subject: Aha Moku Bill-HB 1154

Ahina Kaku '1

FAX: 808-586-4531

Representative Faye Hanoiano, Chair  
Hawaiian Affairs Committee

Dr. [unclear] [unclear]  
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- 13. Farms, new constructions, golf course maintenance.
- 14. Rock removal, etc.
- 15. Need for enforcement/monitoring.
- 16. Funding for enforcement, i.e.
- 17. Entrance fee to Hana State Park

February 2, 2011 (2)

Aloha Rep. Hano Hano, chair, Rep. Lee, vice chair and Committee Members

Re: HB1154 Relating to Native Hawaiian create an 'aha kiole commission to be located in the Dept. of Land and Natural Resources, to serve in an advisory capacity to the governor.

I support HB1154, because in the early 1990's Minami Golf Course, now known as Ko'olau Golf Course in Kaneohe developers did not heed the advice of the Windward Hawaiian groups' knowledge that when the rain falls on their proposed golf course, the land will flood due to it being part of the Rain Belt.

Please support HB1154 so the governor will have sound advice relating to future decisions the Dept. of Land and Natural Resources will make.

Paulette Tam, Concerned Kaneohe Resident

February 1, 2011

Michael E K Forcum Sr  
89-1699 Milolii Road  
Captain Cook, HI 96704

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154, RELATING TO THE AHA KIOLE COMMISSION

Submitted to: Hearing of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Chair Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Michael E K Forcum Sr.

Aloha Chair Hanohano and Members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of H.B. 1154, the bill that creates the Aha Kiole Commission within the State Department of Land and Natural Resources and formalizes the Aha Moku System for the State of Hawaii.

I am a Native to the Last Hawaiian Fishing Village of Miloli'i, South Kona on the Big Island of HI. I have been involved with the Aha Kiole Commission since it has begun. I strongly support this Bill due to the following:

- The Aha Moku System is a true community consultation process through which communities can promote, educate and organize traditional resource management principles that is site-specific
- Knowledge is gleaned from thousands of years of generational wisdom
- Integration of Native Hawaiian proven resource methodology into current governmental policies
- The Aha Kiole Commission is an advisory to the governor on site specific natural resource matters
- Overarching laws are that govern natural resources in Hawaii are shown to not work – natural resources vary island to island and their health is dependent on specific seasons, both marine and land
- This bill brings communities together to manage their own resources in their own ahupua'a which Miloli'i has been the fore front of this most important Kuleana.

I humbly ask that you allow our Aha Kiole commission to pass and allow us the people to take care of the KULEANA that has been set forth for us.

Mahalo ~

*Michael EK Forcum Sr.*

Miloli'i Makai Watch

February 1, 2011

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Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

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I humbly ask that you allow our Aha Kiole commission to pass and allow us the people to take care of the KULEANA that has been set forth for us. The village of Miloli'i has already a Bill in place to allow the people of Miloli'i to build best practices for the marine life in Miloli'i. With the passing of Bill 1154 Miloli'i will be able to collaborate its efforts with the State of HI DLNR with open understanding of the focus to manage and replenish for future generations.

Mahalo ~

*LaCher K Napeahi-Forcum*

**Jennifer Wilbur**

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**From:** Angienora Rogers [rangien2010@yahoo.com]  
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**Testimony in Strong Support of HB 1154, Relating to the AHA KIOLE Commission**

**To: Committee on Hawaiian Affairs**  
Date: Wednesday, February 2, 2011  
Time: 8:30 AM  
Place: Room 329

**From: Pua Nani Rogers, Ahupua`a o Kealia**  
Aha Moku Council - Kaua`i

E welina me kealoha kakou,

My name is Pua Nani Rogers from Kaua`i. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify on this important bill, HB 1154.

I speak in **strong support** of this measure and urge you to vote yes to the continuance of the Aha Kiole Commission within the DLNR and until its purposes are fulfilled. To do what the Aha Kiole needs to do on each island, we will need the help of you, our legislators, to work with us in concert to start the process of protecting and preserving our culturally sacred and natural resources of each and all of our islands; ahupua`a by ahupua`a.

We have held numerous meetings on each island and arrived on a consensual agreement on how we would begin the process on each island. Kaua`i is makaukau.

Please give us a chance to try out this ahupua`a-based resource management process and please support our efforts in partnership of this great undertaking.

Mahalo for your supporting vote for HB 1154.

Pua Nani Rogers  
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Think Sovereign.....Think Ahupua`a

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Submitted on: 2/1/2011

**Comments:**

I am Cheryl Lovell-Obatake, Aha Kiole / Puna District Representative of Kaua'i Moku-puni and I support HB 1154.

Mahalo.



**Jennifer Wilbur**

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1154, RELATING TO THE AHA KIOLE COMMISSION

Submitted to: Hearing of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Chair Representative Faye Hanohano and Members of the Committee

Hearing Date: February 2, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Star Carlin

Aloha Chair Hanohano and Members of the House Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,  
Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of H.B. 1154, the bill that creates the Aha Kiole Commission within the State Department of Land and Natural Resources and formalizes the Aha Moku System for the State of Hawaii.

The Aha Kiole Commission is a timely measure that would allow integration of Native Hawaiian proven resource methodology into current governmental policies. This bill brings communities together to manage their own resources in their own ahupua'a. It recognizes the need for resource management that is site specific in order to meet the needs of our diverse island ecosystems since natural resources vary island to island and their health is dependent on specific seasons, both marine and land.

Respectfully,  
Star Carlin

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Submitted on: 2/1/2011

### Comments:

I am a Kupuna and my name is Orpha U. Kinney Kaina.

The time has come for all to answer to the call and wisdom of Na Kupuna 'o Hawaii Nei a me na Kupuna i hala ana.

I speak for them and I speak for all of our people. We need this 'Aha Moku, it will be a big difference where people will learn of the culture, their practical practices, their generational knowledge will become so ethnically valuable with all nationalities living and looking the way of the 'Ahupua'a together with their Konohiki (stewards).

You can see the kalo has become so well known and used for feeding the families. The luau leaf is well applied and used in laulau sales from within the young generation. I am so anxious and can't wait to see the glowing looks on the children's faces at the flowing of the streams.

The children needs to see the culture in the 'Ahupua'a more than these so called galavantors knocking down the pohaku, opening the holes of our kupuna iwi, costing the state and people's taxes to pay for their carelessness.

Let's maka'ala and clasps our hands together legislators and do it right once and for all. Please, don't let our 2 year olds look at the backside of an adult and wander. We need to put them in front. We need to build their foundation, maintain cleanliness and help them become stalwarts.

I am a D.O.E. Kupuna. I love what I do. One of the teachings that was taught to a 2 year old in the Kauhale life style is:

Whenever the family had to go to Mauka to get water for them-it was carried in the ipu gourds A 2 year old had his own ipu gourd. If he spilled it on the way down-there was no going back til the next run. So even the 2 year old learned.

Legislators, lets not throw what we have that is already so valuable. I saw these Kupuna before they went and they are still in us in spirit and in truth. They worked day and night to get this 'Aha Moku and 'Aha Kiole in order and the Lord saw it fit for them to leave, because he has said, "There is not the spirit of fear, but of the power of love and of a sound mind.

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**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Bernard Lono Kalawaia Kaina  
Organization: Individual  
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Phone: 808-283-6339  
E-mail: [lonokaina@yahoo.com](mailto:lonokaina@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 7:11 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** sillakaina@ritzcarlton.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Drusilla Kaina  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 5080-I Hanawai Street Lahaina, Hawaii  
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E-mail: [sillakaina@ritzcarlton.com](mailto:sillakaina@ritzcarlton.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 7:12 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** ebturalva@aol.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Bernadine Turalva  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 5080-I Hanawai Street Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-250-0204  
E-mail: [ebturalva@aol.com](mailto:ebturalva@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 7:05 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** kainareal@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kihapiilani Kaina  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 5080-I Hanawai Street Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-298-5332  
E-mail: [kainareal@yahoo.com](mailto:kainareal@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 6:41 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** honokowaihood@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kahomealoha Rederos  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 3500 L.Honoapiilani Rd. Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-665-0748  
E-mail: [honokowaihood@yahoo.com](mailto:honokowaihood@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

**Comments:**

This system has been in place for the sustainability of our people for years. I am positive that the rising of the kuleana for all of Hawaii is soon to take place, because of the 'Aha Moku System, with the essence of the 'Aha Kiole. This is PONO!

## Jennifer Wilbur

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 6:43 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** uluhani1940@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Peter Kaina  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 5080-I Hanawai Street Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-669-8191  
E-mail: [uluhani1940@yahoo.com](mailto:uluhani1940@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 6:44 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** honokowaihood@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kaulana Obatay  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 3500 L.Honoapiilani Rd. Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-442-0264  
E-mail: [honokowaihood@yahoo.com](mailto:honokowaihood@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** jrwatson@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Renette Watson  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 3157 L. Honoapiilani Rd. Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-344-8102  
E-mail: [jrwatson@yahoo.com](mailto:jrwatson@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

**Comments:**

We look forward to engaging ourselves in the kuleana of the 'Aha Moku System. Thank you for your support in this.

## Jennifer Wilbur

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 6:54 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** jrwatson@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jesse Watson  
Organization: Individual  
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Phone: 808-344-8102  
E-mail: [jrwatson@yahoo.com](mailto:jrwatson@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

**Comments:**  
Your support and consideration of the 'Aha Moku System is valuable and appreciated.

## Jennifer Wilbur

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 6:35 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** honokowaihood@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Noreen Rederos  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 3500 L.Honoapiilani Rd. Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-665-0748  
E-mail: [honokowaihood@yahoo.com](mailto:honokowaihood@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 01, 2011 5:39 PM  
**To:** HAWtestimony  
**Cc:** kainareal@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB1154 on 2/2/2011 8:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 329  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: DeAnn Kaina  
Organization: Individual  
Address: 5080-I Hanawai Street Lahaina, Hawaii  
Phone: 808-669-8191  
E-mail: [kainareal@yahoo.com](mailto:kainareal@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/1/2011

**Comments:**

The 'Aha Moku System is an ancient system that is of inclusive today for all of Hawaii to be a part of. It was the people's Council back then, as it can be the same for all of Hawaii today. WE NEED YOUR OUTMOST SUPPORT IN THIS, mahalo.