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United States
Department of
Agriculture

Animal and
Plant Health
Inspection
Service

The Honorable Jerry L. Chang
Hawaii State Capitol, Rm. 325
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Wildlife Services

Re: Committee on Water, Land & Ocean Resources
(WLO)

Hawaii State Office

House Bill 579 Relating to Wildlife
Hearing Date and Location: February 7, 2011, Conference Room 325

3375 Koapaka Street,
Suite H-420
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This letter is in response to your request to provide written testimony for House Bill 579 as it relates to the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services' Federal authorization and mission.

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The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to conduct a program of wildlife services and has the legal authority to administer wildlife damage management programs pursuant to 46 Stat. 1468; 7 USC 426-426b, as amended (otherwise known as the Act of March 2, 1931), and Public Law 100-202, 7 USC 426c (otherwise known as the Rural Development, Agriculture, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1988). These public laws enable the Wildlife Services program to enter into cooperative service agreements with public and private entities to provide technical and operational assistance to resolve human-wildlife conflicts. This authority spans across many resource classes that include agriculture, human health and safety, natural resources and property.

Wildlife Services uses offset, laminated leghold traps, conibear traps and snares in daily and routine operational activities here in the state of Hawaii. These tools are an integral part of our integrated wildlife damage management approach and decision model (see WS Directive 2.105 and 2.201 at: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wildlife_damage/ws_directives.shtml). These trapping devices are carefully used and tended on all land zone types with landowner and/or lessee permissions where a bona fide need exists. Should these trapping devices become unlawful to possess and use, we foresee that there will be a significant impact on our operational effectiveness to resolve wildlife damage associated activities relevant to the Endangered Species Act (16 USC. 1531, 1543; 87 Stat. 884, as amended) and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 USC. 703-711; 40 Stat. 755, as amended). The passage of House Bill 579 will likely have a negative effect on the resources we are attempting to protect, namely threatened and endangered flora and fauna, agriculture commodities, and private property.

If allowances provide exemptions for Wildlife Services to perform their duties, we will be able to continue to adequately serve the State of Hawaii in the area of wildlife damage management. I will not be providing live testimony at the hearing. Should



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the Committee have any further questions regarding House Bill 579, please feel free to contact me at (808) 838-2841 or via email at Mike.E.Pitzler@aphis.usda.gov.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Pitzler', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

MIKE E. PITZLER
State Director, HI/GU/Pacific Islands
USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services



**THE HUMANE SOCIETY
OF THE UNITED STATES**

TO: Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members

Water, Land and Ocean Resources Committee, Monday, February 7, 9:00am Rm 325

RE: Testimony in SUPPORT of HB 579; Relating to Wildlife

Submitted by: Inga Gibson, Hawaii State Director, The Humane Society of the United States,
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Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members,

On behalf of our more than 49,000 members and supporters in Hawaii, we thank Vice-Chair Har and Co-sponsors Chair Chang and Rep. Ito for their introduction of this modest but critical measure to prevent and reduce unnecessary animal suffering.

The issue of regulating the use of snares and body-gripping traps has come before the Hawaii legislature for almost a decade, demonstrating that this is a serious concern for the residents of Hawaii.

Humane societies across Hawaii regularly receive pet dogs, hunting dogs and pet cats who are the victims of snares or foot-hold traps; often these animals must be euthanized due to the extent of their injuries. One recent case on the Big Island involved 8 dogs who were intentionally captured using neck snares and who either died or had to be euthanized due to the extent of their injuries. The Prosecuting Attorney's office was unable to charge the person who had set the snares due to our lack of any law explicitly prohibiting the use of such devices to capture pet animals, or requiring that the device be checked to ensure that the target animal is captured.

Furthermore, unattended snares or foot-hold traps are indiscriminate and can capture pets and native wildlife. Last year a Wallaby was found captured in a snare and had to be euthanized at the Honolulu Zoo due to the extent of his injuries. Whoever set the snare could not be identified because there are no laws that require that snares or foot-hold traps be registered or have identification—encouraging the illegal or irresponsible use of these devices, which can be easily purchased by anyone over the Internet.

Most importantly, Hawaii has no laws that require that snares or foot-hold traps ever be checked after they are set. Many animals are simply left to suffer and die. Animals, including pet dogs and cats, are known to chew off their own limbs in an attempt to escape, causing severe injury or even death. Animals left in unattended snares and foot-hold traps thus suffer extreme pain for days or even weeks before finally dying of infection, starvation or dehydration.

To understand the affect of snaring on canid species (which include dogs) in one study researchers characterized the condition of 94 coyotes that had been trapped using neck snares. The coyotes showed signs that they had struggled significantly and that this resulted in a slow,

painful death. Briefly, their necropsy data showed many cases of severe hemorrhaging, bloody noses and bloody eyes, bloody limbs, broken necks, broken rostrums, cyanosis, and a condition called “jellyhead” that refers to the thick bloody lymph fluid that swells the heads and necks of snared canids. These same effects can be seen in other snared species.

Unlike past attempts to prohibit these devices all together, the proposed bill does not prohibit the use of snares or padded or laminated foot-hold traps. This modest but critical measure simply requires that snares and foot-hold traps be checked once in every 24 hour time period to prevent prolonged suffering and to ensure the correct “target” animal is captured, and not a pet or protected wildlife. A number of states have this modest “24-hour check” law.

Furthermore, this bill requires that identification be attached to any snare or foot-hold trap and that any pet captured using a snare or foot-hold trap be checked for identification and reported to the local humane society for reunion with their owner or adoption.

In addition, the bill hopes to reduce non-target animal captures by prohibiting snares in residential areas where pets or children are more likely to become the victims of such devices. The bill also prohibits the use of non-padded or non-laminated steel-jaw leg-hold and body-crushing traps; already prohibited in a number of states and banned in 89 other countries. Both the American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association oppose the use of steel-jaw leghold devices.

In an attempt to address the concerns of private, state and federal agencies conducting activities to protect threatened or endangered plants and animals, the bill provides a waiver process for environmental protection activities in remote or inaccessible areas and exemptions for state and federal agencies protecting threatened and endangered species or other wildlife.

Unnecessary animal suffering and wanton waste are contrary to Hawaii’s values, the most basic hunting ethics of a “quick kill” and is disrespectful to our environment.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and we again urge your support of this most modest but critical measure to prevent unnecessary and prolonged animal suffering.



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Testimony of The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i
Strongly Opposing H.B. 579 Relating to Wildlife
House Committee on Water, Land & Ocean Resources
Monday, February 7, 2011, 9:00AM, Rm. 325

The Nature Conservancy strongly opposes H.B. 579 Relating to Wildlife.

Feral ungulates, including pigs, goats, sheep, deer, and wild cattle, are one of the biggest threats to the health of our native ecosystems and critical watershed areas. While Hawai'i has an important history of hunting game mammals for food and recreation, it is a modern history. With the exception of the Hawaiian bat, Hawaii has no native land mammals. Wild pigs were introduced from Europe and Asia after 1778. The smaller Polynesian pig brought by the first Hawaiians is gone (except on Ni'i'hau), crowded out by these later introductions.

Centuries before the introduction of game mammals, Hawaii's native plants and animals evolved in geographic isolation to form the globally unique ecosystems that make up these islands. In the absence of predator species, native species did not develop defenses such as thorns or other mechanism to deter browsing or rooting animals. As a result, our native forests have no defenses against wild mammals that consume and destroy forest understory plants and native seedlings.

- Collectively and individually, the conservation agencies and organizations in Hawai'i are highly experienced with trapping non-native species, and are continually working to refine methods and protocols. They are composed of individuals who chose their profession because of their love and passion for animals, plants, and their habitats, and so have no desire to cause undue harm.
- Agencies are already required to complete management plans under federal and state environmental laws in which their non-native species control programs are open to public review and comment.
- Conservation agencies and organizations in Hawai'i are already overstretched, especially in these times of severely limited government and non-profit budgets. Additional administrative burdens on conservation agencies and organizations will come at the direct expense of important activities to care for our natural resources.
- Placing additional regulatory, administrative and enforcement burdens on the State to control the tools and circumstances allowed for effective animal control will give private citizens little recourse but to hold State government responsible for rectifying animal damage issues. Feral pigs, for example, have become a significant nuisance in many residential, agricultural and even urban areas of O'ahu. By regulating and limiting control, the State assumes the responsibility for management in the public eye.
- Responsible care of pet animals and existing pet care laws, if followed, would go a long way to preventing interactions with land managers taking responsible actions to care for natural, agricultural, human health, and other resources.

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As you can see from the attached photos, left unmanaged, feral ungulates can strip large areas of forest bare thereby contributing to erosion, runoff, damage to coastal areas and coral reefs, and impairing the natural absorptive function of watersheds. The areas disturbed by these animals create open soil for the invasion of weed species, further enhancing the decline of native ecosystems and watershed values. Pig wallows are a breeding ground for non-native mosquitoes that carry and spread avian pox and malaria to our fragile native bird populations. A native bird inflicted with avian pox suffers as lesions slowly eat away at the bird's feet and beak until it can no longer perch or seek food for its young. Urine and feces from ungulates contaminate our streams contributing to health threats like leptospirosis, trichinosis, brucellosis, and tuberculosis.

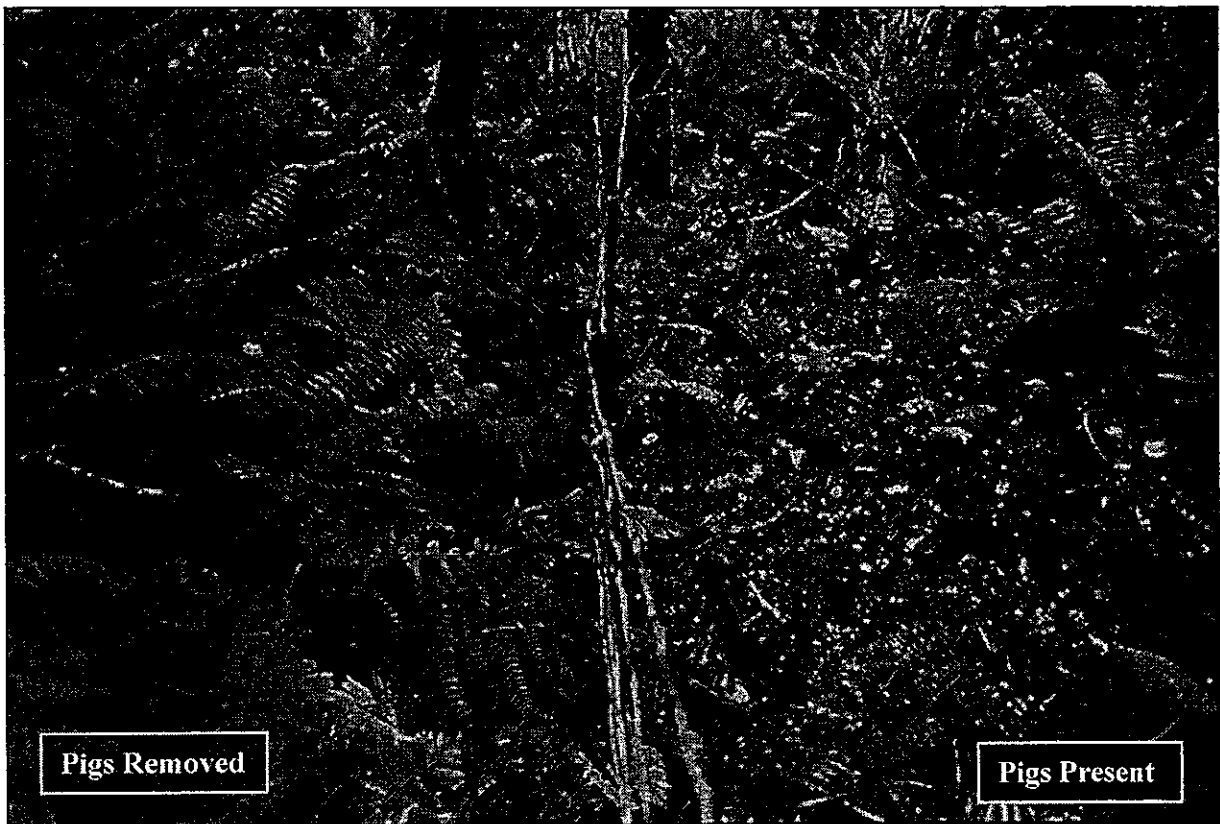
Through years of research and experience, it has been shown that the most effective way to control feral ungulates is by using a multi-faceted approach. Responsible public and private land managers use a variety of tools to control non-native animals, including fencing, public hunting, staff hunting, trapping, and snares. In some accessible locations, hunting and live trapping are sufficient for ungulate control. However, many areas of important native forest and watersheds are remote, mountainous, or otherwise so steep as to make standard animal control techniques dangerous, impractical and, in some cases, impossible. Furthermore, in many instances hunting and trapping alone simply cannot get ahead of the breeding capacity of these animals. Pigs can double their numbers in just 4 months.

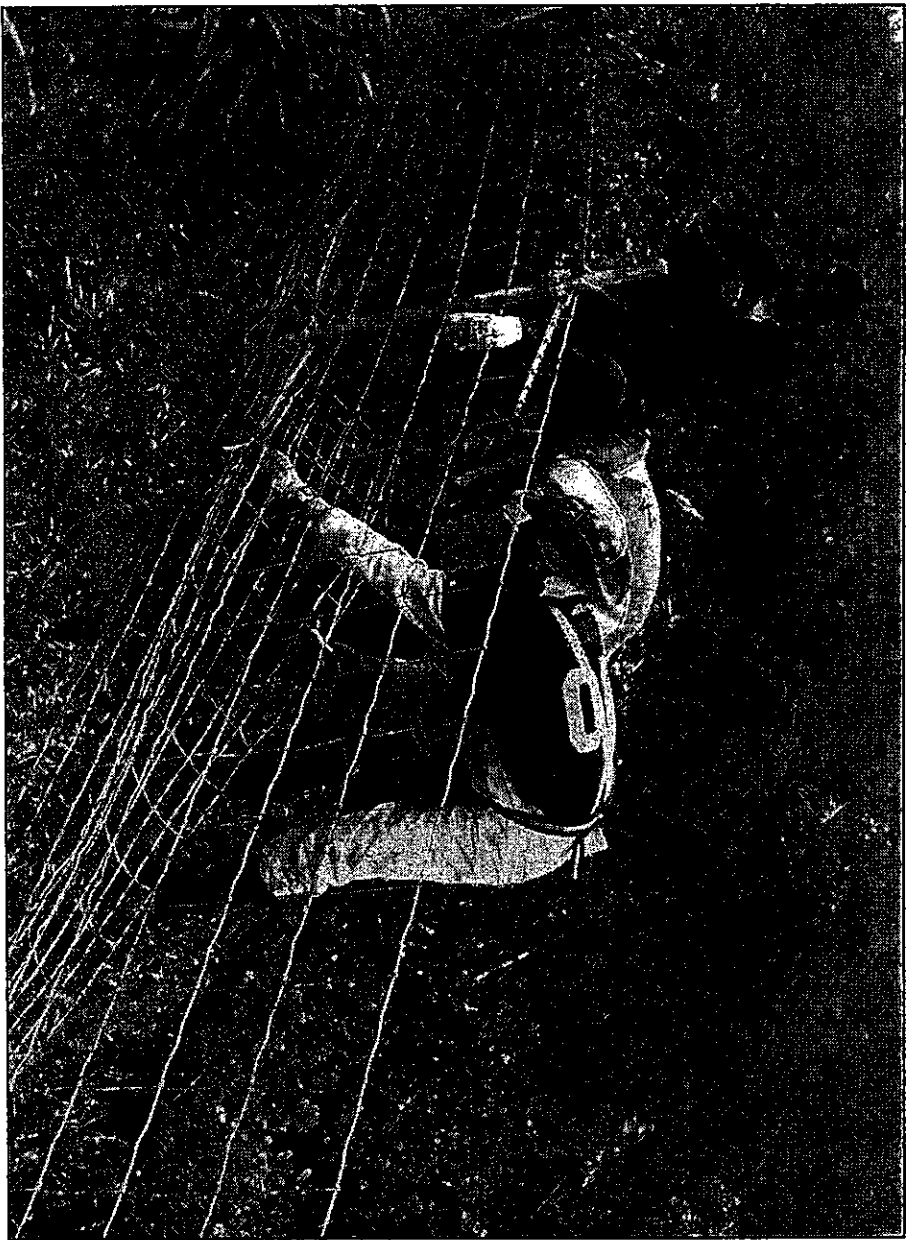
Thankfully, as a state we are finally recognizing the need to manage our forested watersheds so that they can continue to deliver their benefits for generations to come. There are now eleven watershed partnerships encompassing more than 1,250,000 across the state. It is essential for the public and private land owners and land managers in these partnerships to have the right tools for the job in their animal control programs.

Attached photos.



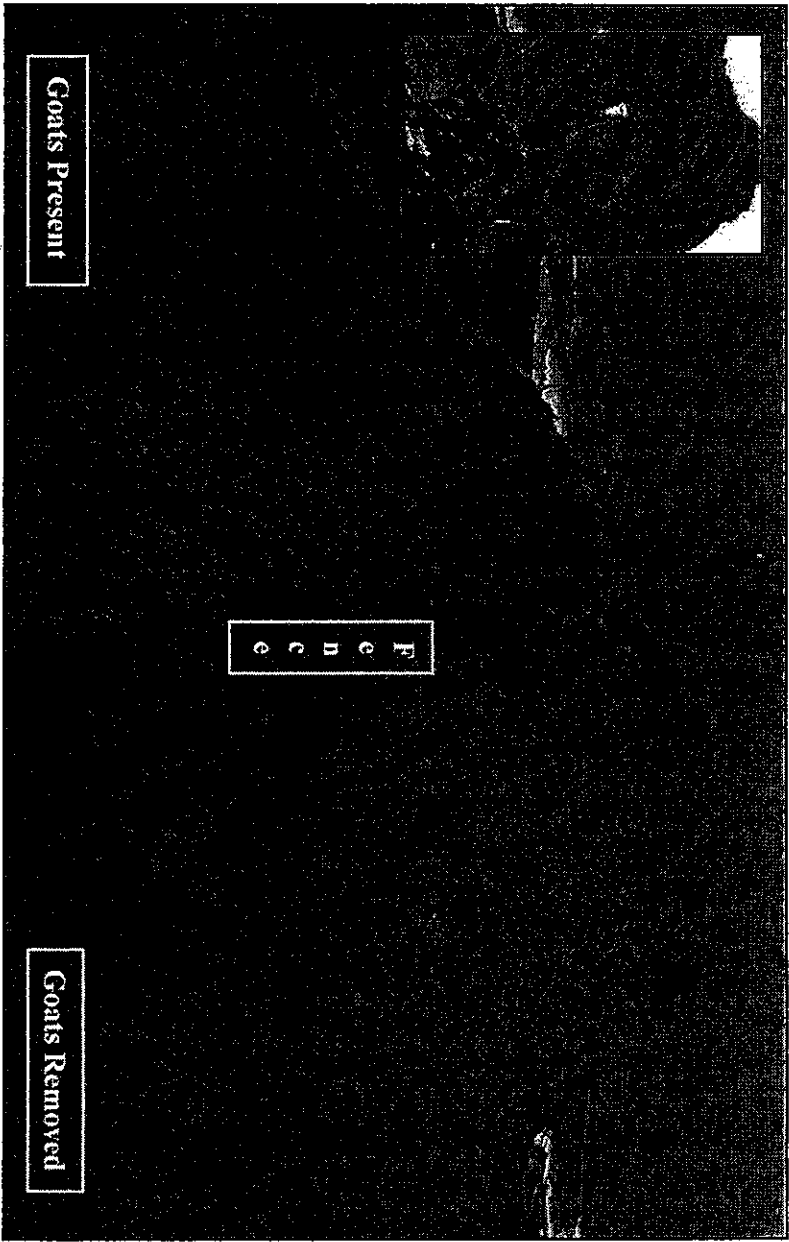
April 2009: 50 wedge-tailed shearwaters (*'ua'u kani*) killed at Molokai's Mo'omomi Preserve by this loose dog (note collar). Dog was not claimed when turned over to County shelter.





Pig Wallow





Goats Present

Fence

Goats Removed



Animals In

Fence

Animals Out



Goat damage



Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.

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COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, & OCEAN RESOURCES
Monday February 7, 2011 9:00 a.m. Room 325

HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Prohibits the use of body crushing traps and non-padded or non-laminated foot or leg-hold traps and provides exemptions, regulates the use of snares and padded or laminated foot or leg-hold traps and provides exemptions, and establishes penalties for violations

Chairman Chang and Members of the Committee:

My name is Alan Gottlieb, and I am a rancher and the Government Affairs Chair for the Hawaii Cattlemen's Council. The Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc. (HCC) is the Statewide umbrella organization comprised of the five county level Cattlemen's Associations. Our 130+ member ranchers represent over 60,000 head of beef cows; more than 75% of all the beef cows in the State. Ranchers are the stewards of approximately 25% of the State's total land mass.

The Hawaii Cattlemen's Council **Opposes** HB 579.

As you well know, wild pigs, sheep, goats and feral cattle have done tremendous damage to our forest lands and watersheds. Feral pigs, sheep and goats also damage our range lands. Furthermore, feral dogs, often in large packs, have been a historical threat killing or maiming sheep and calves. Traps of various type are an important tool for controlling this threat to our resources and protecting our livestock from horrific abuse or death. Traps include leg hold snares to capture feral dogs, rope snares to capture feral cattle and a variety of snares and traps to capture feral pigs. No such traps are effectively used for goats or sheep. While we concur with the intent of this bill to mitigate the suffering to a trapped wild animal, we are also here to make a case for the protection of the helpless young livestock who are the prey. On behalf of the newborn lambs and young calves in our State, we ask you to table this bill which we believe would for all practical purposes preclude a rancher from protecting his livestock and resources. If you think it is cruel and inhumane to trap a feral dog, please consider the pain and suffering of a young calf attached by a pack of wild dogs or a newborn lamb confronting a wild boar that kills and consumes it.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to testify in favor of this very important issue.



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February 6, 2011



TO: Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee



RE: Support of HB 579



Dear Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) and Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members:



I am writing in support of HB 579 which would regulate the use of snares and steel-jaw leg hold traps, require traps be checked a minimum of once every 24 hours, and that captured pets be reported to local humane societies.



The Maui Humane Society supports this type of regulation and accountability for these devices. These traps can capture any animal that comes upon them including pets, native and endangered animals. Animals caught in these traps can suffer for days, even weeks until they are either found or they die from starvation, dehydration and/or infections which is why it is so critical these traps are checked regularly.



Requiring trappers to report any pets to local humane societies allows potential owners to get needed medical care or have some closure for missing pets.



There are more humane methods of trapping animals available so we urge the passage of this bill to protect the animals from unnecessary suffering.



Sincerely,



Jocelyn Bouchard, CAWA
CEO, Maui Humane Society



The Maui Humane Society is committed to building lifelong bonds between people and animals through education, community outreach and the prevention of cruelty.



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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 4:03 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: puaa@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for HB579 on 2/7/2011 9:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO 2/7/2011 9:00:00 AM HB579

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: comments only
Testifier will be present: No
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Submitted on: 2/6/2011

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON Water, Land and Ocean Resources Rep. Jerry Chang, Chair Rep. Sharon Har, Vice Chair

Monday February 7 , 2011
9:00am
Conference Room 325
State Capitol

HB 579
Comments

Many times I have seen the unfortunate victims of unattended snares and traps- their agony shows on their faces or what is left of them.

It is time for Hawai'i to take a stand against this horrible cruelty.

Is it fair to target animals because they are deemed "invasive" or "feral" or "alien" ?

I ask you to amend this bill and not allow exceptions for government/ environmental organizations.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Goeggel
President

har3 - Megan

From: Madelyn Barrea [madrbar@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 8:39 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: FW: HB 579 Snarring/Trapping

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members:

I would like to go on record as being in favor of HB 579. It is an improvement, however, I feel that any trap that is strong enough to snap shut and hold an animal is torturous. Animals have been known to chew off their own limb to escape. If a limb is caught, and blood constricted, the limb begins to die and poison the system. Being caught in such a manner for 24 hours is beyond comprehension. Have you ever slammed your finger in a door? Can you imagine not being able to release yourself and the pain that would cause even for 5 minutes, let alone 24 hours? I would not want to see any animal in such a predicament, especially someone's precious pet.

I can only hope that this is a first step at even a better law that would outlaw such traps completely. I would think that any hunter worth his salt would not use these traps and want to kill the animal instantly. If not, and the suffering of the animal does not affect them, then I believe such people have much deeper character issues and might be capable of even more serious crimes against people.

If animals need to be removed or killed for the safety of people, there are humane traps that would catch the animal and then they could be killed in a humane manner.

It is not our right to cause pain or torture any living creature.

Humanely yours,
Madelyn R. Barrea
Executive Director
West Hawaii Humane Society

SUPPORT

HB579
(PROHIBIT BODY-CRUSHING TRAPS/SNARES)
Monday, February 7, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Rm. 325

WATER, LAND, & OCEAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE (WLO)

Rep. Jerry L. Chang, Chair
Rep. Sharon E. Har, Vice Chair

Dear Representatives:

No traps/snares *should* be used on animals where grievous bodily harm and **suffering** are incurred. Indeed such devices are both **cruel & indiscriminatory, nonspecific** in their designs, catching accidental victims like pets, endangered wildlife, or even people. *The American Veterinary Medical Association* calls leg snares/traps **“inhumane.”**



They have been **banned in 88 countries** and in a growing number of states across the U.S. since 1973, including California, Florida, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Washington. In 1994, Arizona banned the use of leghold traps on public lands. **California voters prohibited all commercial leghold traps in 1998, and Washington voters followed suit, adding a ban on body-gripping traps, in November 2000.** (Source: www.All-Creatures.org)



Finally, ALL traps/snares *should* be **checked at least every 24 hours, and tagged/labeled.** That's just **responsible use & common sense.** It also encourages easier **enforcement, follow up, and control.** How can we not support that?

Thank you,

Anjie Pham
Honolulu, Hawaii

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From: owlit1@gmail.com
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 2:04 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: Inga Gibson
Subject: Support HB 579

I, Frannie Pua Pueo, support HB 579, as it prohibits the use of body crushing traps, snares, and non-padded or non-laminated foot or leg holding traps, regulates the use of snares and foot or leg-hold traps, and establish penalties for violations.

Did you know, that Hawaii was rated mid-tier according to the Animal Legal Defense Fund in 2007 for lack of better animal protection laws? Do you know that sadly, we have slipped even further in our inhumane scum, and now Hawaii is rated as one of the five worse states for lack of better treatment, protection, and enforceable laws for our animals.

Do you have the courage to be the voice for kindness, respect, and place better safe guard protection laws for all animals?

What does it take for this society to reclaim its Aloha, and what words must be stated for all to clearly see that any form of animal abuse should prohibited and never be tolerated.

Respectively yours,
Frannie Pueo, (808) 968-8279
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From: Tina Bounds [care4petservices@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 3:42 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579

I, Tina Bounds, support **HB 579**, as it prohibits the use of body crushing traps, snares, and non-padded or non-laminated foot or leg holding traps, regulates the use of snares and foot or leg-hold traps, and establish penalties for violations.

Sincerely,

Tina Bounds

har3 - Megan

From: Margaret Sueoka [feathers03@me.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 3:59 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members:

Please SUPPORT HB 579 to finally regulate the indiscriminate and cruel use of snares and steel-jaw leghold traps that can (and do) capture pets and native animals. Animals caught in these horrific devices suffer terrible pain for days or even weeks before dying of dehydration, starvation or infection. I had a dog who was caught in one of these traps and I will never forget it.

There are more effective and humane ways to deal with animal control.

Thank you,
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har3 - Megan

From: Khenn Golan [khenng@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 3:46 PM
To: WLOtestimony; K
Subject: Bill 579

To whom it may concern,

Thank you for proposing a bill that will stop an inhuman act. We need to stop being selfish and stop animal suffering. If we don't feel pain, it does

not mean that it is OK for different species to suffer from our actions.

I am sure everyone who is going to vote on the bill would not hesitate if one of their children was accidentally caught in one of these traps.

Thank you.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 2:17 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: lkartkart@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB579 on 2/7/2011 9:00:00 AM

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Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Lisa Kart
Organization: Individual
Address:
Phone:
E-mail: lkartkart@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/6/2011

Comments:
Please support this bill and stop the unnecessary cruelty.
Thank you.

har3 - Megan

From: Spikecat1@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 2:10 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 Relating to Wildlife

Dear Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) and Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members,

We are writing in support of HB 579 which regulates the use of snares and steel-jaw leghold traps.

As you know this law would require that snares and leghold traps be checked at least once every 24 hours, have ID and that captured pets be reported to local humane societies. Such regulation is essential since these traps can capture pets or native animals. Without the traps being checked on a daily basis, animals can suffer for days or even weeks before dying of starvation, infection, or dehydration. Such a result is inhumane and not acceptable in a civilized society.

We urge you to pass this bill.

Sincerely yours,
Judith Aikawa, MD
Ronald Aikawa, MD
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har3 - Megan

From: J.Lilinoe [j.lilinoe@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 1:49 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579 - Snare/Trapping.

I am against SNARES and STEEL-JAW LEGHOLD TRAPS and I therefore OPPOSE THIS BILL. Thank-you.

Josephine Keliipio
76-168 Royal Poinciana Drive
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har3 - Megan

From: aabaer@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 1:27 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579, Hearing 2/7/11 at 9:00 am

Dear Committee Members,

Please support the banning of snares and leg-hold traps.
These brutal methods contribute to a slow, agonizing death. This is why
a civilized society should find more humane ways to control animal populations.

Thank you for your time,

Andrea Baer

har3 - Megan

From: LOVDEN@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 1:16 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Re: HB 579

Aloha,

My husband and I support Bill HB 579 for a more humane way to trap animals. Please take our support into consideration when you place your vote.

Denise & Tony Hernandez
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Kailua-Kona, Hi. 96740

har3 - Megan

From: robert menacho [rmkona@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 12:51 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HN579 Snaring/Trapping

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice Chair Har and Committee Members,

I would like to go on record as being in favor of HB579. Please SUPPORT HB579 to finally regulate the use of cruel and indiscriminate snares and steel-jaw leghold traps that can capture pets or even native animals. Animals captured in these traps can suffer horrific pain for days or even weeks before dying of infection, starvation or dehydration. There are more humane and effective methods available for appropriate animal control.

I feel that these type of traps are not humane and not the solution for animals that need to be removed or killed for the safety of people, however, at least regulating the use of them is an improvement and one step forward. If these traps have to be used, they certainly should be regulated.

Thank you for your support,
Mary M.Menacho
Secretary/Treasurer
West Hawaii Humane Society

har3 - Megan

From: Michael Newman [mn4@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 12:08 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: House Bill 579

To Whom it may concern,
Please stop Body Crushing Traps!
I'm in support of the Bill described below:

Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579) This bill prohibits and in some cases regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps.

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har3 - Megan

From: Lynn Donovan [lyndono40@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 11:29 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 relating to Wildlife

Representative Jerry Change
Chair of Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee

I support HB 579 - Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps. Other types of traps are more humane so this kind is not needed.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Lynn Donovan
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From: Karen Scharff [alohashoes@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 10:23 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB579 Relating to Wildlife

Dear Representative Jerry Chang, and Water, Land and Ocean Resources Committee Members,

I very much hope that you will strongly consider passing HB 579 to humanely trap animals.

Thanks you,
Karen Scharff

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From: judy bird [birdja2001@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 9:51 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579

I, Judith Bird, fully support HB579.
Sincerely, Judith Bird, HC1 Box 5234, Keaau, HI 96749

har3 - Megan

From: Bianca Trombi [btrombi@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 8:51 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Dear Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members,

I support **House Bill 579**, with the prohibition and in some cases regulation of the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps. Although it seems like common sense, the more knowledge offered to the public the better.

I urge you to support this bill in hopes of strengthening our animal welfare laws.

Sincerely,

Bianca Radojevic
1720 Algaroba Street #2
Honolulu, HI 96826

har3 - Megan

From: leikalina@juno.com
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 8:41 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: House bills

I am writing in support of House Bill 579. Hawaii's animal protection laws are too lax, and something should have been done about this years ago. I hope you will do the right thing and stand up for this, as well as HB 1621 and 1576. Does anyone remember a song from long ago?

Bless the beasts and children, for in this world they have no voice, they have no choice...

Kalina Chang
Kahalu'u, O'ahu

har3 - Megan

From: Fabienne Herold [fab@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 8:40 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579 relating to wildlife

To Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members

Dear Representative Chang,

I strongly support HB 579 on Wildlife, in particular in relation to the body crushing traps. This is the most inhumane way of controlling wildlife.

Thank you for your support.

Respectfully yours,

Fabienne Herold

673 Auwina Street

Kailua, Hawaii 96734

(808) 262-0897

har3 - Megan

From: Starr Dods [starrd@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 10:56 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Aloha,

I am writing in my support of HB 579 - Relating to Wildlife - so that body crushing traps and other inhumane traps are not used against wildlife.

Mahalo,

Starr Dods

133 Wailupe Circle
Honolulu, Hawaii 96821
808.358.4658
starrd@gmail.com

har3 - Megan

From: Colleen Otsuka [otsukac@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 8:59 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: House Bill 579

Please support this bill! Animals have feelings too and need our support and help!

Thank you!

har3 - Megan

From: Diane M. Kimura [dianekimura@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 8:16 PM
To: WLOtestimony; ERBtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE and Support HB 1621 RELATING TO DOGS

Honorable Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members

I am writing in support of **House Bill 1621** which are coming before your committee. As a long-time supporter of the Hawaiian Humane Society and the good work that they do, I have seen, firsthand, the horrors of animals in puppy mills.

One of my dogs came from a puppy mill and suffered from parasites, skin lesions, malnutrition, and long-term skeletal issues from over breeding. Only after he was brought home and we contacted the breeder, asked to return the puppy. Only then did we think to ask to see the mother, the condition of the nursery and ask the critical questions of the age of the mother and the number of times she had been bred over two years. The response from the breeder sickened me. The dog was bred several times and a what should have been a 2 year-old golden, looked like an old arthritic with tumors on her nipples from having too many puppies.

The last litter was 13. All together, we were told that she had over 85 puppies. She looked malnourished and suffered from the same fungal infection that the puppies had.

We figured out quickly that the returned puppy would be put to sleep, so we brought him home and provided lifelong medical care for the skin and skeletal issues. A family with fewer resources would not have been able to care for the puppy and provide it with a good quality of life and pain management.

I am fully in support of this bill as well as those listed below. By domesticating animals, our human contract is to treat them humanely and not cause unnecessary suffering. If you spend any time at the Hawaiian Humane Society, you will see pitiful cases of neglect, abuse, and worse.

To: Representative Angus McKelvey (Chair) Committee Members of Economic Revitalization & Business

**I implore you to please pass HB 1621 relating to dogs as well as the following House Bills:
Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579)**

This bill prohibits and in some cases regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps.

Chaining Dogs (House Bill 1576 & Senate Bill 1424)

This bill will make it illegal to tie up a dog on a chain that's less than 6 feet long or use a chain that's more than 10% of the dog's weight. A swivel must be on one end or the other.

HB 108. Prohibition of Dog Fighting and prohibits placing bets, use of bait dogs, fighting equipment and attendance of fights.

HB 243. Aims to strengthen Hawaii's Animal Cruelty Law related to killing of pet animals.

SB 700. Addresses overpopulation by prohibiting pet shops from selling unsterilized cats.

SB 727. Addresses force feeding birds for foie gras production.

SB 733 & HB 579. Prohibits use of traps that are cruel.

HB 1171. Criminalizes attending animal fights.

HB 1596. Establishes a Hawaii State Dog Appreciation Day.

The way that a society treats animals is a reflection on how we value and respect life. Most people, I believe, will do the right thing. The House Bills before you, would protect the animals from those people who would not.

Very respectfully yours.

Diane M. Kimura
808-373-5347

har3 - Megan

From: Nancy Harrison [harrisonh001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 6:26 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 Relating to Wildlife

har3 - Megan

From: CAROL SUTHERLAND [brightideas@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 6:13 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579 Prohibition of Body Crushing Straps

I am in support of House Bill 579 to prohibit traps in Hawaii.

Carol Sutherland

har3 - Megan

From: Ruth Glatt [rglatt@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 3:54 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice Chair Har and Committee Members.
Please Please support HB579. Animals captured in snares and Steel-jaw leg hold traps can suffer horribly for days, and even weeks. Think of your pet in one of these traps, suffering from infection, pain, starvation etc.. Cruelty to animals like this is not acceptable. There are other methods that are effective and more Humane.
I implore you to support HB579.

Sincerely,
Ruth Glatt
P.O.Box 2069
Kailua Kona, HI 96745

har3 - Megan

From: Susan Eubank [tigerlily@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 3:45 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 Relating to Wildlife

I support this bill.

Thank you.

Susan Eubank

har3 - Megan

From: Torun [starfire_retreat@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 3:44 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members:

*Please **SUPPORT HB 579** to finally regulate the use of cruel and indiscriminate snares and steel-jaw leg-hold traps that can capture pets or even native animals.*

Animals captured in these traps can suffer horrific pain for days or even weeks before dying of infection, starvation or dehydration. There are more humane and effective methods available for appropriate animal control.

The use of snares and steel-jaw leg-hold traps needs to be regulated. Traps need to be checked a minimum of once every 24 hours, have ID information on them, and captured pets must be reported and turned over to local animal control/humane societies.

Thank you for your consideration.

*David and Torun Almer
84-5142 Keala O Keawe Road
Captain Cook, HI 96704-8418
808-328-2061*

har3 - Megan

From: Judy Mick [ppchawaii@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 3:26 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579

Aloha Honorable Chair Chang, Vice Chairman Har and Committee Members:

I ask for your support of HB 579 to regulate the use of snares and steel jaw leg-hold traps in our State. This is an inhumane way control animals and there are other ways used all over the country and world that we can implement. Cruelty is something we must eliminate in Hawaii and this is one way you can help. Mahalo and aloha, Judy Mick, Kailua

har3 - Megan

From: Allan & Faith Rossman [alfaith@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 3:10 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members:

Bill to be heard Monday, Feb 7, 900am, Rm 325

Please **SUPPORT HB 579** to finally regulate the use of cruel and indiscriminate snares and steel-jaw leghold traps that can capture pets or even native animals. Animals captured in these traps can suffer horrific pain for days or even weeks before dying of infection, starvation or dehydration. There are more humane and effective methods available for appropriate animal control.

Faith Rossman, RN, MN
Kailua-Kona

har3 - Megan

From: Robert Wintner [robertw@snorkelbob.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 2:07 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579

I support this bill. Please pass it.

Robert Wintner, Maui

har3 - Megan

From: Denise [onewahine@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 1:48 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members:

Please **SUPPORT HB 579** to finally regulate the use of cruel and indiscriminate snares and steel-jaw leghold traps that can capture pets or even native animals. Animals captured in these traps can suffer horrific pain for days or even weeks before dying of infection, starvation or dehydration. There are more humane and effective methods available for appropriate animal control.

Sincerely,

Denise Edwardy Towle

Kailua Kona, HI

har3 - Megan

From: S Matsui [fullhouse@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 1:26 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

To Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & WaterLand & Ocean Resources Committee Members,

I am asking you to please support HB 579, relating to Body Crushing and other inhumane types of traps. I don't think animals or wildlife of any kind should be subjected to that type of cruelty.

I urge you to support HB 579. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Aloha,
Susan Matsui
91-201 Hoonua Pl.
Ewa Beach, HI 96706

har3 - Megan

From: Sophia Vuong [svuong@hawaii.edu]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 1:25 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: I SUPPORT

I SUPPORT prohibition of body crushing traps (House Bill 579). I can't believe such thing is invented, its inhumane, and it needs to be stop.

har3 - Megan

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 1:13 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: akluvo@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB579 on 2/7/2011 9:00:00 AM

Testimony for WLO 2/7/2011 9:00:00 AM HB579

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Arthur A. Kluvo
Organization: Individual
Address: 94-1099 Heahea Street Waipahu, HI
Phone: 808-678-2029
E-mail: akluvo@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/5/2011

Comments:
Please support House Bill 579 prohibit the use of crushing traps.

har3 - Megan

From: Rene Umberger [octopus@maui.net]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 1:04 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579 in Support

Dear Honorable Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Har and Committee Members:

Please pass HB 579 to finally regulate the use of cruel and indiscriminate snares and steel-jaw leghold traps, protecting pets, native and other animals from unnecessary suffering that ultimately leads to death after days or weeks of horrific pain, infection, starvation or dehydration. There are more humane and effective methods available for appropriate animal control.

Mahalo,
Rene Umberger
Kihei, HI

har3 - Megan

From: Rich Lane [rlane@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 12:53 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB579 Relating to Wildlife

Representative Jerry Change and Committee Members,

I strongly urge passage of this bill. All animals need to be treated humanely, and body crushing traps must be outlawed.

Thank you,

RICHARD C. LANE
98-602 Kaonohi St Apt E
Aiea, HI 96701

har3 - Megan

From: WynnieJoy Hee [anthuriumz@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 11:12 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Representative Jerry Chang, Chairman, & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members:

Re: Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579)

Please pass this bill to prohibit, and in some cases regulate, the use of body-crushing animal traps and other inhumane types of traps.

Wynnie Joy Hee
95-1523 Ainamakua Dr. #93
Mililani, HI 96789
808-782-0745

har3 - Megan

From: Robert Smith [boogiedownrob@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 9:48 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

To Whom it may concern,

I Support House Bill 579 (Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps). Body crushing traps are inhumane and cause pain and suffering to animals. If we are to dispose of animals we should use more humane ways to do so. Animals can be trapped without doing harm and causing undo stress to the animal.

Respectfully,

Robert Smith

har3 - Megan

From: Betty Bodlak [surfzone@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 9:45 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Fwd: HB 579

I urge you to vote for HB 579 to outlaw the inhumane traps which crush cats. It is unthinkable that they even exist! There are traps which can capture cats without injury; it is beyond absurd to have ever allowed anything that would be so injurious to these innocent creatures. We absolutely must show the people of Hawaii that mistreatment of our animals will not be allowed.

Betty Bodlak
P O Box 1124
Haleiwa

har3 - Megan

From: Lorna Kaaloa [paddleyourheartout@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 8:50 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Aloha,

I am in support of HB 579 to regulate the trapping of animal trapping and in particular to prohibit the use of Body Crushing type traps. These are a very inhumane approach to use. HB 579 will force alternative approaches with the humane protection of life, even if wildlife.

Mahalo,

Lorna Kaaloa
1515 Nuuanu Ave. #3
Honolulu, HI 96817

har3 - Megan

From: Mari Zeleznik [moi.je@mac.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 8:37 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Inhumane Traps

We always speak of man's inhumanity to man. It's nothing compared to man's inhumanity to the other residents of the planet. It's obvious that crushing animals to death is a crime. I don't like the idea of killing anything, but there are painless methods available. I'm not sure which animals these cages are meant for, but I'm sure those who use them wouldn't want to be caught in one.

Mari Zeleznik

har3 - Megan

From: Gerrit Osborne [hellogbo@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 8:19 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Opposition to "Body crushing traps"

I strongly support "Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps" (House Bill 579) and you should, too!

Gerrit Osborne
1430 Ehupua St.
Honolulu, 96821
N21° 16.830' W157° 45.830'
808-222-2450

har3 - Megan

From: susankroe@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 7:46 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

This letter is in support of Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE
Please pass the bill to prohibits and regulate the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps.

Susan Kroe-Unabia
808-295-0647
susankroe@aol.com

Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579)

This bill prohibits and in some cases regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps.

Email Testimony: WLOtestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov
SUBJ Header: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE
Deadline: Sunday, Feb. 6
Testify in Person: Monday, Feb. 7 at 9 am at State Capitol Conference Room 325
Address to: Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members

har3 - Megan

From: GMADRIAGA@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 6:52 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: *****SPAM***** HB 579

Dear Legislators:

I urge you to pass this bill. We must show the nation that the people of Hawaii are truly unique and compassionate, even to our four-legged friends. We preach and practice the "ALOHA" spirit to our fellow humans yet we seek comfort and companionship from our pets. I ask you, why should animals be treated any different from humans? Would you trap an escaped prisoner in a body-crushing trap to capture this escapee? If not, why would you think to utilize such a device on animals?

I am confident that you, our elected lawmakers, will do the right thing!

Concerned dog owner,

Gail M. Madriaga
405 Lunalilo Home Road
Honolulu, HI 96825
808-479-6082

har3 - Megan

From: ilc5b@virginia.edu
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 4:40 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

To Representative Jerry Chang, and Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members:

I urge you to support this bill, which prohibits or i(n some cases) regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Isabella Cooper

har3 - Megan

From: Julie Ray [mjilbaray@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 2:42 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: animal welfare bill 579

Dear Representative Chang,
Please support bill 579 related to wildlife which is designed to ensure citizens humanely trap unwanted animals rather than crushing them in brutal traps. The idea that a beloved pet or curious child might be killed by a body crushing trap breaks my heart. The simple act of prohibiting inhumane trapping will certainly save lives. Have-a-heart traps should be required and affordable to rent so that animals can be effectively sterilized and relocated. Sadly, I believe that bone-crushing traps are used not only in the wilds of our island, but also in the settled areas, endangering families. If these traps were not sold, then we could prevent their misuse.

Thank you So very much for your time,
Julie Ray
mom and former teacher
107 Kaiolino Way
Kailua, HI

har3 - Megan

From: carroll [lacarroll@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 12:38 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Dear Chairman Representative Jerry Chang,

Please support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE. As human beings we need to support inhumane treatment to animals.

Mahalo,

L.Carroll

har3 - Megan

From: Lyn Pendragon [lyn.pendragon@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 05, 2011 12:17 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579

Dear Representative Chang,

We are writing you to urge you to support HB579, which would eliminate the use of body-crushing traps, and would regulate traps.

Thank you for considering this important issue, in furthering the humane treatment of all animals.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Pendragon

har3 - Megan

From: Mary Morioka [mkimiem@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 11:45 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Dear Rep. Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members,

What argument could anyone make to not support measures that make this a more humane society?
Please do everything possible to support this bill.

Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579)

This bill prohibits and in some cases regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps.

har3 - Megan

From: alicesaul [alicesaul@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 9:43 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Dear Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, and the Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members

Please add my voice to those seeking to support HB 579 Relating to Wildlife. We in Hawaii are defined by how we treat each other as well as how we treat the animals for whom we are responsible. Please help us curtail the inhumane use of body crushing traps by implementing good legislation.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my view, along with a fervent hope of support.

Aloha,

Alice Saul
147 Opihikao Way
Honolulu, HI

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From: STEPHANIE M. [aloharunner@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 9:12 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: SUPPORT HB 579

Please support HB 579 to prohibit body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps. Stephanie McLaughlin, 95-310 Haakualiki Place, Mililani, Hawaii, 96789, phone (808) 3844764



Aloha from ...

Stephanie McLaughlin

"Be the change you wish to see in the world"

har3 - Megan

From: Sybil Hamada [hamadasn@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 9:12 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Dear Representative Jerry Chang and Water, Land, & Ocean Resources Committee Members:

Please support HB 579 relating to wildlife and the prohibition of body crushing traps. All inhumane types of traps should be strictly prohibited. Hawaii is a sensitive and morally upright ohana State. We do not need this kind of negative publicity in how we treat animals.

Thank you.
Sybil Hamada

har3 - Megan

From: Jessie [jessie.freise@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 8:19 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

I support this bill for Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps.

Jessie Freise

har3 - Megan

From: Shima Ohana [ShimaOhana@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 7:51 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579

Representative Chang and Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members:

Please support HB 579 which prohibits and regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps. Please help to protect our animals from cruelty.

Thank you.
Donna Shimabukuro
94-1071 Kaaholo St
Waipahu, HI 96797

har3 - Megan

From: Jo Ann Fujita [j_m_fujita@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 7:15 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: House Bill 579

Aloha Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members

I am writing in support of House Bill 579 which prohibits and in some cases regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps. I strongly urge to passage of this piece of legislation which will help mitigate inhumane treatment of animals.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Jo-Ann Fujita
3356-A East Manoa Road
Honolulu, HI 96822

har3 - Megan

From: Antoinette Perez [ms.capili@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 5:11 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579 Relating to Wildlife

I support the passing of this bill.

Sincerely,

Antoinette S.N. Perez

har3 - Megan

From: Joe Strzempka [jstrzempka@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 7:12 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579)

Representative Jerry Chang - This is a no-brainer. Please do what is right, pono, and support this bill.

Mahalo -

Joe Strzempka

Waipahu, Hawaii

har3 - Megan

From: Mary Naman [m_naman@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 6:17 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579)

To whom it may concern:

We support House Bill 579 to prohibit the use of body crushing traps.

Please vote in support of this bill.

Joe & Mary Naman
111 Mokumanu Drive
Kailua, HI 96734
808-230-8032

har3 - Megan

From: Arthur Moss [hawaiimoss@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 5:40 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579

Aloha Rep. Jerry Chang (chair) and members of the Water, Land and Ocean Committee:

Body crushing devices may be needed for old cars but not for animals. Let's make conditions better and pass HB579. Art Moss

har3 - Megan

From: jaime.kurosawa@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 5:31 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Bill 579

Please pass this bill if you are human. Thank you.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless Phone

har3 - Megan

From: kshimata [kshimata@live.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 5:25 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB 579

I support proposed legislation to regulate animal traps & protect pets from being caught accidentally.

Thank you for considering my views.

Kathy Shimata
3453 Pawaina St
Honolulu 96822

har3 - Megan

From: Leila ishiki [leilai@earthlink.net]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 4:21 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Vote YES for HB 579

I support HB 579. This is a no-brainer. Think about it . . . how would YOU or your children like to be crushed to death?

Please vote YES for HB 579 to prohibit or at very least to regulate these beyond cruel murderous operations.

Mahalo,

Leila ishiki
leilai@earthlink.net

har3 - Megan

From: Maxine Shea [koreanmax2@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 4:13 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579 Relating to Wild Life

Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members

Representative Chang and Honorable Committee Members,

HB579 Relating to Wild Life

This bill prohibits and in some cases regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps.

Please acknowledge my support for HB 579 Relating to Wild Life. It is amazing that in this day and age we still have to regulate the humane treatment of animals.

I am pleased that in this legislative session there are bills introduced to address the treatment of animals.

Thank you for your service to our community,

Maxine Shea
Broker and Property Manager, Big Surf Condo
1690 Ala Moana Boulevard
Honolulu, HI 96815
808-2586009

har3 - Megan

From: jacqueline just [jacquelinejust@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 3:38 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: HB579

To Chair Jerry Chang and Water, Land and Ocean Resources Committee Members

I support this bill to prohibit and regulate the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps. It is unnecessary to be inhumane! Use an alternate method!

Have a conscience!

Jacqueline Just

3061 Pualei Circel 304B

Honolulu, HI 96815

har3 - Megan

From: Carolyn Macina [cmacina@htbyb.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 3:36 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Housebill 579

Importance: High

Please put an end to this inhumane way of trapping animals. The hurt and suffering of these poor innocent creatures is horrific! We need your help to put an end to the suffering. Thanks for your support! Aloha, CAM

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From: Colleen Murphy [cmurphyrealtor@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, February 04, 2011 3:24 PM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

Dear Representative Jerry Chang (Chair) & Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee Members,

I stand in strong support of HB 579. Body crushing and other inhumane traps are an abomination, and it is deplorable that their use is still legal in our state. Please vote in favor of this most humane bill.

Thank you,
Colleen Murphy

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Subject: HB 579

The Honorable Jerry Chang, Chair
and members of the Water, Land & Ocean Resources Committee

Please support HB 579. The use of "body crushing" traps is inhumane and unnecessary.

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From: Michelle Bowerman [mbowerman@isi-hawaii.com]
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Subject: Support HB 579 RELATING TO WILDLIFE

You have my support for this bill to prohibit or regulate body crushing traps.

Michelle Bowerman

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From: clk@quixnet.net on behalf of clk [clk@quixnet.net]
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To: WLOtestimony
Subject: Support for HB579

Please support HB579 to eliminate and regulate the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps. As Gandhi once said, one can determine how humane a society is by the way it treats its animals.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

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From: drt0324@aim.com
Sent: Sunday, February 06, 2011 7:38 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Subject: House Bill 579

I support passage of this important bill.

Prohibition of Body Crushing Traps (House Bill 579)

This bill prohibits and in some cases regulates the use of body crushing traps and other inhumane types of traps.