

Statement of
Aisha TK Kadomatsu
before the
HOUSE COMMITTEES ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT,
AGRICULTURE, AND WATER, LAND, & HOUSING
Friday, March 11, 2011
3:20PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325
in consideration of
SB631 SD1
RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY,
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Chair Coffman, Chair Chang, Vice Chair Har and Members of the Committees:
I am Aisha Kadomatsu, Ala Koa Street, Honolulu
I am writing in opposition of SB 631 SD1. SB 631 SD1 states that agricultural B, C, D, and E land can be used for solar energy facilities. I feel that preserving agricultural land is very important and must not be taken for granted. It is crucial to have quality agricultural land in order to grow our food locally. *Solar Energy production should be restricted to D & E Land*

~~In the state of Hawaii, we have a total 418,704 acres B and C land that's 118,089 acres of B land and 300,612 acres of C land. It is best that we use this valuable land for agricultural purposes because lands that go out of farming will never be put back into agricultural production.~~

Protecting agriculture land has been the number 1 concern in the 1960 Constitution. Unfortunately, we have failed to resolve this problem. We have lost 50% of our prime farm land in the last 50 years. We have to start moving in a different direction in order to save our agricultural land.

Many people aren't considering the consequences of this act, which will greatly restrict quality land for agriculture for generations to come. I request these committees do not pass this Bill.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on an important issue.

Aisha Kadomatsu, Waialae Nui, Honolulu, Hawaii

I have brought ~~petitions~~ petitions signed by 30 residents.

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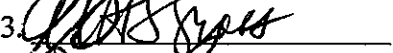

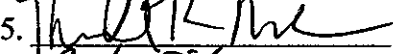
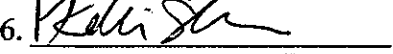

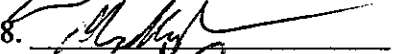


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LATE TESTIMONY

Hawaii Solar Energy Association
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March 21, 2011
9:15AM

**HOUSE
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&
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PROTECTION
SB 631 SD1**

Mark Duda

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Chang, Vice Chair Har, Chair Coffman, and Members of the Committees:

HSEA supports SB631 SD1, which increases, with certain limitations, the area within agricultural lands in which solar energy facilities may be constructed.

HSEA recognizes the balance that must be maintained between the State's energy and agriculture sectors, and feels the latest version of the bill accomplishes that while still moving the needle towards ensuring Hawaii accomplishes its clean energy goals.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

Mark Duda
President, Hawaii Solar Energy Association

About Hawaii Solar Energy Association

Hawaii Solar Energy Association (HSEA) is comprised of installers, distributors, manufacturers and financiers of solar energy systems, both hot water and PV, most of which are Hawaii based, owned and operated. Our primary goals are: (1) to further solar energy and related arts, sciences and technologies with concern for the ecologic, social and economic fabric of the area; (2) to encourage the widespread utilization of solar equipment as a means of lowering the cost of energy to the American public, to help stabilize our economy, to develop independence from fossil fuel and thereby reduce carbon emissions that contribute to climate change; (3) to establish, foster and advance the usefulness of the members, and their various products and services related to the economic applications of the conversion of solar energy for various useful purposes; and (4) to cooperate in, and contribute toward, the enhancement of widespread understanding of the various applications of solar energy conversion in order to increase their usefulness to society.