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THE HONORABLE CLAYTON HEE, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR
Twenty-sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawai`i

March 28, 2012

RE: H.B. 108, H.D. 1; RELATING TO CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

Chair Hee, Vice-Chair Shimabukuro and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu submits the following testimony in support of H.B. 108, H.D. 1, Proposed S.D. 1.

The purpose of this bill is to require licenses for large-scale dog breeding, and regulate the housing, care, handling, record-keeping and treatment of dogs kept by licensed breeders. The bill allows each county to assess, implement and enforce its own licensing system, and establishes civil and criminal penalties for violations.

The Department believes that Sections 2, 4, 5 and 6 of this bill, would work alongside existing laws to prosecute various types of animal cruelty that may stem from large-scale dog breeding, and further believes that this will serve as a much-needed deterrent to those who may be inclined to over-breed or wrongfully breed dogs.

H.B. 108, H.D. 1, Proposed S.D. 1, also proposes to regulate the sale of dogs and cats in a public place; the Department does not take a position as to that section of the bill.

For reasons noted above, we support the passage of H.B. 108, H.D. 1, Proposed S.D. 1. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

**TESTIMONY OF ROBERT TOYOFUKU ON BEHALF OF THE HAWAIIAN
HUMANE SOCIETY IN SUPPORT OF H.B. NO. 108, H.D. 1, PROPOSED S.D.1
WITH COMMENTS**

March 28, 2012

To: Chairmen Clayton Hee and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and
Labor:

My name is Bob Toyofuku and I am presenting this testimony on behalf of the
Hawaiian Humane Society (Society) in general support of HB 108, Proposed SD 1.

The Society supports the provisions contained in Part I of the Proposed SD 1 but
suggests various amendments to Sections 1 and 2 on pages 1 to 10.

The Society supports the concept of licensing dog breeders as contained in Part ii
of this bill, and has no objection to the counties acting as the licensing body rather than
the state department of commerce and consumer affairs. However, the Society is of the
opinion that it does not feel that it is the appropriate body to grant the license or to assess
the appropriate license fees for dog breeders as indicated on page 13, lines 14 to 17.

With regard to any inspections and enforcement of any licensing law for dog breeders,
the Society is willing to undertake this task provided that adequate funding is provided by
the counties. The Society requests that Section 6 of this bill be amended to provide for
sufficient and adequate compensation.

Regarding the provisions in part III of the bill the Society supports the concept
that all dogs should have an identification microchip and that the owner be required to
acquire appropriate county licensing for the dog.

Thank you very much for allowing me to testify. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or desire additional information.



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March 27, 2012

Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Hawaii House of Representatives
Hawaii State Capitol

Re. Oppose House Bill 108 H.D. 1 S.D. 1

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor,

The American Kennel Club (AKC) writes to express strong concerns with House Bill 108 H.D.1 S.D.1. We write on behalf of numerous responsible dog owners and breeders in Hawaii, and on behalf of citizens who, in the future, may wish to acquire a dog from a local, responsible breeder. We respectfully ask that you **do not advance this measure**, which includes language previously amended by other committees in SB2492 and SB2494.

The AKC opposes HB108 for the following reasons:

- **This bill contains numerous provisions that are detrimental to the responsible keeping and welfare of dogs.**
- **The burdensome provisions of this bill would apply to every owner of ten intact dogs over the age of four months, even if the owner breeds no litters and sell no puppies.** A person who breeds occasional litters in the home, or even no litters at all, would inaccurately be considered a “large-scale breeding facility” under this measure.
- This bill would prohibit owning more than 30 intact dogs over the age of one year. This provision is unnecessary and overreaching, as dog ownership limits, regardless of reproductive status, are already addressed under local ordinances and zoning codes.
- This bill would allow the seizure and impoundment of dogs based on licensing or recordkeeping violations or the lack of adherence to the aforementioned problematic provisions. Under this bill, dogs could be removed from a comfortable, safe and familiar home setting and caged in a pound that provides far less desirable conditions – based solely on paperwork violations, lack of compliance with detrimental care requirements, or arbitrary numerical limits. **It is unreasonable to seize dogs unless they are in conditions that pose a real and immediate danger to their health and safety.**

A discussion of these and other concerns follows.

HB108 contains numerous provisions that are detrimental to the proper keeping and welfare of dogs. While the intent of the bill – to ensure that dogs are provided regular exercise – is appropriate, the specific provisions are untenable:

- “Constant and unfettered access” to an outdoor exercise area could prove lethal to an aged or ill dog, expose dogs to danger from bad weather and predators, and would prevent a responsible owner from confining dogs indoors in the evenings so that barking and other noises do not create a nuisance.

- Because the definition of “dog breeder” would include responsible owners who maintain their dogs in home settings rather than in commercial kennels, a requirement to provide *each dog* with “constant and unfettered access” to an *indoor* exercise area of sufficient size to meet the requirements of the bill is unreasonable.
- Responsible breeders utilize numerous methods to maintain the health and conditioning of their dogs. The “one size fits all” provisions of HB108 are punitive to responsible breeders and potentially detrimental to the health and safety of dogs. The bill would make it illegal to provide exercise to dogs via regular access to turn-out areas (even those encompassing multiple acres), playtime within the home, excursions to dog parks, and other breed/age/size appropriate solutions. Only the problematic requirement for “unfettered access” to an enclosure 24 hours a day, 365 days a year would be acceptable.
- Under HB108, it would be a violation for a “dog breeder” to utilize a dog crate for temporary confinement of a dog, for use in housetraining, and for myriad other standard practices among responsible dog owners. For example, the use of crate training for dogs, as described in the Hawaiian Humane Association’s informational flyers, would be denied dog owners who fall under the provisions of this bill.
- A requirement to provide 12” of headroom above the tallest dog in an enclosure is arbitrary and unsupported. Likewise, a restriction that enclosures may be no more than 42” above the floor and a restriction on stacking enclosures are also arbitrary and unsupported. A requirement for impervious barriers between stacked enclosures is a better alternative.

HB108 provides for unannounced inspections of private residences. As noted previously, HB108 would require “dog breeders,” including those who neither breed dogs nor sell puppies, to be licensed as “large-scale breeding facilities” based solely on their ownership of ten or more intact dogs. Dog owners so designated would be subjected to unannounced inspections. This is particularly objectionable given that many dog owners and hobby breeders keep dogs in their private homes and are not rightly regarded as businesses.

HB108 would allow the seizure and impoundment of dogs based solely on licensing or recordkeeping violations or the lack of compliance with problematic care requirements. It is unreasonable to seize dogs from their owners unless they are in conditions that pose a real and immediate danger to their health and safety.

- This bill allows for dogs owned by an unlicensed “dog breeder,” or by a person found not in compliance with any provision of the bill (even minor violations appear to be adequate) to be impounded. The lack of a license or a minor violation should not enable the government to seize a citizen’s property. This does not benefit the animals and would unnecessarily crowd shelters, increase public expense and euthanasia.
- The threat of impoundment and the fines of up to \$1000 per day for an unlicensed breeder and \$1000 per violation for *any* violation of the care or recordkeeping requirements are unreasonable.

HB108 contains problematic, vague breeding restrictions. The AKC believes that breeding decisions should be made by a dog owner in consultation with a veterinarian.

- The term “unfit for breeding” is not defined, therefore, it is unclear which conditions might render any animal unfit or on what criteria a veterinarian would base their examination. The AKC believes veterinarians should base their recommendations on the health and condition of an individual dog, rather than on conditions dictated by statute, such as age of breeding or “fitness.”
- The bill makes it illegal to breed a dog older than eight years of age. Breeding to or utilizing frozen semen from a male dog that exceeds this arbitrary age limits in this bill would be a violation. This would reduce breeding options and narrow the available gene pool.

HB108 requires county licensing and biennial fees for “dog breeders” who may infrequently – or never – breed a litter. Further, charging a \$500 biennial license fee to occasional hobby breeders, many of whom may sell very few puppies, is unreasonable. Under this bill certain rights and responsibilities are accorded to county governments. However it is unclear if a county may determine that breeder regulation is unnecessary.

HB108 contains many of the same problematic provisions that were contained in last year’s SB1522, of which the Hawaii Office of the Auditor concluded “proposed regulation of dog breeder business is problematic, better options are available.” This report additionally indicated:

We found little more than anecdotal evidence for a need to protect the public’s health, safety, and welfare from abusive activities of large-scale dog breeders.

-and-

Some requirements detailed in the bill can result in hardships to some breeders as they seek a one-size fits-all solution to the widely diverse needs and characteristics of over 150 dog breeds.

The findings of HB108 indicate that an estimated 30 large-scale dog breeders are in operation in Hawaii. However, this bill imposes regulations, substantial fees and breeder licensing requirements on every owner of ten intact dogs, even if that person produces few or no puppies.

We respectfully urge you to not move HB108 forward, as it is detrimental to welfare and safety of dogs, burdensome to responsible dog owners and breeders, and will limit the options for residents of Hawaii to acquire a dog from a local responsible breeder in the future.

Sincerely,



Patty Van Sicklen
Legislative Analyst

The American Kennel Club supports the humane treatment of dogs, including providing an adequate and nutritious diet, clean living conditions, regular veterinary care, kind and responsible human companionship, and training in appropriate behavior. The AKC supports reasonable and enforceable laws that protect the welfare and health of dogs without restricting the rights of owners and breeders who properly maintain their dogs.



Windward Hawaiian Dog Fanciers Association

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TO: Committee on Judiciary and Labor

RE: Testimony in opposition of H.B. No. 108, H.D.1, S.D.1

I have been a dog fancier for close to fifty years now and have participated in many phases of dog activities including all-breed dog shows, obedience trials, earth dog activities and tracking activities.

While the intent of this bill is good, I cannot support it's passing because it will negatively impact on many dog fanciers due to some of the stipulations in the bill itself. Additionally, if passed in it's present form, it will ultimately limit the availability of pure bred dogs locally and invariably create a financial hardship on prospective new owners who will see a smaller supply of pure bred dogs available here which will mean having to import dogs from the continental US or other countries and incurring additional expenses such as quarantine fees and high air freight costs.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melvin D. Rodrigues". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Melvin d. Rodrigues
President/Show Chairman
Windward Hawaiian Dog Fanciers Association

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 11:03 AM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: pat.karen@hawaiiantel.net
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Karen Tsuruma
Organization: Individual
E-mail: pat.karen@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

I am a dog owner/lover and I oppose this bill.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 11:05 AM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: pktsuruma@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Patrick Tsuruma
Organization: Individual
E-mail: pktsuruma@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
I am a dog owner and I oppose this bill.

Testimony of **Heidi A. Cregor, President of the Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Hawaii**, in **opposition to H.B. 108.**

The stated purpose of this bill is to regulate large scale, profit driven canine breeding operations. My fellow club members, who aren't profit driven canine breeding operations, would be adversely impacted by this bill.

I have previously provided testimony to other committees opposing S.B. 2492 and 2494 and in support of HCR 141. It had appeared that the committees had recognized the infirmities in the previous Senate Bills and were taking appropriate action to limit their broad-brush, overreaching effect and to study further the matter. The current draft of H.B. 108 simply revives the previous Senate Bills.

H.B 108 defines a dog breeder simply by the number of dogs owned without regard to whether or not the owner actually breeds dogs or sells puppies. This numbers only definition results in unnecessary licensing requirements and fees. It triggers space requirements for the housing of the dogs that have no basis in any established standards and further triggers warrantless searches of the owners' homes.

I and my organization, The Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Hawaii, oppose cruelty to animals, including "puppy mills", whose only purpose in life is the production of puppies for profit. These mills are antithetical to everything I and my fellow "dog fanciers" stand for. I abhor these mills and support their being put out of business, yet, that this bill "paints with too broad a brush" and will damage those of us who truly promote the best interests of our dogs and our breeds.

It is well known that the very best puppies for pets, for show, for obedience and other dog related events and competitions come from the small "mom and pop" breeders. We are the people who breed for the sheer love of dogs and improve our breeds, by gradually breeding better, stronger, healthier animals, free of genetic diseases, defects and temperament shortcomings. As hobby breeders we do it for the love of dogs and profit is not our motive. Most of us don't even break even on a litter of puppies, and we do not sell through pet stores. We get our reward when one of our puppies (usually no longer owned by us) goes on to win a Best in Show, or High in Obedience trial, or field trial champion or, simply earns us the congratulations of our peers. The puppy you buy from a hobby breeder, has had hours of individual attention lavished upon him. We stand behind our puppies and most provide some type of guarantee to the buyer. If the puppy is not show quality, or more accurately, not of a quality to genetically promote the breed, we have the option under the rules of the American Kennel Club, to sell the puppy with a limited (cannot be bred) registration.

Most of us are very small scale, often going years between litters and only breeding when the time is right in all respects. I myself have had very few litters, yet I am considered a breeder by my peers. Even for small scale hobby breeders like me, the provisions of this bill can be too restrictive and oppressive. Having a **number limit**, like ten intact dogs may sound like a lot - but in order to be eligible to enter a dog show, the dogs must be intact. It should be no surprise that we don't discard our older dogs as they retire from the show ring. Many of us have several well-loved retired dogs enjoying our backyards. So, a litter of puppies can really run the numbers up, especially in some breeds that have large litters. Yes, most pet dogs are gone by four months of age, but a good responsible breeder will often keep better show prospect puppies much longer to see how they develop before selling them. And, yes, these puppies continue to receive the same

Testimony of John Cregor in Opposition to HB 108.

I am John Cregor, a member of the Dachshund Club of American, The United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club, the Hawaiian Terrier Club, the Hawaii Hound Club, The Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Hawaii, and the Fox Terrier Club of Hawaii.

I adopt and support the submitted testimony of Heidi Cregor, president of The Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Hawaii, who cannot be present at the committee hearing, in opposition to HB 108.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 11:43 AM
To: JDLEstimony
Cc: beegood2@hawaiiantel.net
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Debi Cary
Organization: Individual
E-mail: beegood2@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

Appalling! Very underhanded and slimy the way the bad Bills - SB2494 & SB2504 have been slipped into HB108! SHAME ON YOU! This bill should NOT PASS. Listen to the tax payers and not the tax exempt. I am fully with the Hawaii Companion Animal Coalition.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 12:15 PM
To: JDLEstimony
Cc: kayoko.matoba@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kayoko Matoba
Organization: Individual
E-mail: kayoko.matoba@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 1:10 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: csurrisi@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Cynthia Surrisi
Organization: Individual
E-mail: csurrisi@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

Not a bad idea as it related to real animal abusers but the bill is poorly conceived and will harass good citizens. It misses its mark as it is.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 1:30 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: fpdaniel@hawaiiantel.net
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: patti daniel
Organization: Individual
E-mail: fpdaniel@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
I am opposed to this bill. I am a dog lover. I show dogs. I am a petsitter. Please vote NO on this bill Mahalo!
Patti Daniel

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 2:12 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: renomoto@iolani.org
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Rene Enomoto
Organization: Individual
E-mail: renomoto@iolani.org
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
I'm a dog lover and oppose this bill.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 2:20 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: Floatingdg@aol.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Cindy Myers
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Floatingdg@aol.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
I am a dog lover.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:25 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: danaxbee@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: **Dana Adachi**
Organization: Individual
E-mail: danaxbee@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:30 PM
To: JDLEstimony
Cc: tinabeatty@ymail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Tina Beatty
Organization: Individual
E-mail: tinabeatty@ymail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

I am a working individual. I find this bill unjust and not thought thru carefully. I am an active , responsible dog fancy owner. I strongly oppose HB108.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:30 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: btotoki@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Betty Totoki
Organization: Individual
E-mail: btotoki@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

I oppose HB108 because although the original attempt was to prevent puppy mills and dog fighting, it has been revised to negatively affect responsible breeders and other dog hobbieists.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:33 PM
To: JDLEstimony
Cc: alltot@aol.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Allan Totoki
Organization: Individual
E-mail: alltot@aol.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
I oppose because it is an ambiguous bill and will affect innocent and responsible breeders.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:34 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: linetteab@hawaiiantel.net
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Linette Barrios
Organization: Individual
E-mail: linetteab@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
Strongly Oppose.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:36 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: donsmakiki@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Donald Gau
Organization: Individual
E-mail: donsmakiki@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
Oppose

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:37 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: donsmakiki@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Leonora Gau
Organization: Individual
E-mail: donsmakiki@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:38 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: Grulona@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Gwen Rulona
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Grulona@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

Thank you for giving me your time. I feel this Bill is a very broad Bill regarding breeding that affects many good breeders who care about their dogs. I understand about the Wamanalo incident and I totally agree with passing some law on preventing these kinds of puppy mills. However, I believe in a slower and more thorough process to address all breeders. To my knowledge the Humane Society said they talked to breeders, I belong to the Hawaiian Bulldog Club and no one in my club has been talked to. I've talked to people at other clubs and no one has spoken to them either. I would be glad to talk to someone regarding this Bill for my input if possible.

Once again thank you for taking your time to read my testimony. Sorry I would want to be at this hearing but I am off island.

Gwen Rulona
330-6575
Kaneohe Hawaii

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:39 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: tinabeatty@ymail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kiera Beatty
Organization: Individual
E-mail: tinabeatty@ymail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:40 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: enomoto.andie@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Andie Enomoto
Organization: Individual
E-mail: enomoto.andie@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:41 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: aumoehoku@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Lily Bhalang
Organization: Individual
E-mail: aumoehoku@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:42 PM
To: JDLEstimony
Cc: rylynnnet@cbpacific.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Rylynne Totoki
Organization: Individual
E-mail: rylynnnet@cbpacific.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:43 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: rustyn@hawaii.edu
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Rusty Totoki
Organization: Individual
E-mail: rustyn@hawaii.edu
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 3:43 PM
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Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Rene Enomoto
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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Cain Chun
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Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
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Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
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Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
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Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Deanna Kahele
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Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Enid Cummings
Organization: Individual
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Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Blake Rapozo
Organization: Individual
E-mail: tinabeatty@ymail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
OPPOSE HB108

Aloha,

WHAT IN THE WORLD HAPPENED TO THE ORIGINAL HB108 THAT ADDRESSED DOG FIGHTING, RESTRICTIONS AND PENALTIES OF DOG FIGHTING...HOW DID THE DOG FIGHTING BILL MORPH INTO ANTI-DOG OWNERSHIP AND ANTI-BREEDING LEGISLATION OVERNIGHT !! I view the amendments to the BILL as underhanded, sneaky, un-American, auwae...No Aloha Spirit, crooked legislation...how rude...is this our Hawaii government at work ?? How many more bills are floating around that I mimic SB2492, SB2494, HB108 ?? Mind boggling to say the least...is this all that Senator Clayton Hee has to do with his time?? Just trying to keep up with these issues is like catching fish by hand, grab one, and it slips away, grab another and it slips away...

I am Vice President of the Hilo Obedience Training Club, and AKC affiliated club which conducts three sessions of dog training classes throughout the year offered to the general public. Our organization promotes responsible dog ownership and sportmanship, as well as teaching dog owners the benefits of having a well trained, well mannered, and sociable dog. Our classes are continually in demand, and an asset to the our community and State. We have proudly instructed purebred and mix breed performance titlist in obedience and rally venues. Our classes are open to ALL breed of dogs, including the All American Dogs...the mix breeds.

I am also a member in good standing with the Orchid Island Dog Fanciers Club, Orchid Isle Dog Agility, Hawaii Herding Dog Association, and Shetland Sheepdog Club of Hawaii. I am an AKC Certified Canine Good Citizen Instructor and Evaluator for the American Kennel Club. You can be assured that Breed Clubs and Performance Clubs in Hawaii and throughout the United States promote responsible dog ownership and breeding of dogs

As a Purebred Fancier and Breeder, I maintain and treat my Shetland Sheepdogs better than some families treat their human children, elderly, and relatives. I spend a small fortune in the maintenance, medical care, and health of my dogs. Careful consideration is given to my breeding program as I only breed to improve my Shetland Sheepdog line. In my 26 years of dog ownership, I have had only three litters to date. My three litters were carefully planned, with selection of sire and dam, completion of pre-testing of genetic conditions, quality maintenance of nutrition and medical care throughout pregnancy, whelping and weaning, and completion of puppy examinations and shots. Puppies from those breedings which were sold were ~ AKC Registered, AKC-CAR microchipped, Health Certified by my Vet, Health and Shot records provided to buyers, and with CONTRACTS that required Non-Conformation Show pups to be spayed and/or neutered by 6-8 mos of age, genetic health guarantees for replacement, and return of the dog to me, as the breeder, throughout the LIFE of the dog. In my contracts, I restricted new owners from breeding any Non-Conformation Show Dogs by LIMITED AKC Registration, I further restricted new owners from abandoning the dogs, re-selling on Craigslist or Kajiki or classified ads, and I RESTRICTED THEM FROM TURNING THE DOGS INTO THE HAWAIIAN HUMANE SOCIETY, or any other rescue

organization. My contract requires the new owner to RETURN the dog to me if at anytime IN THE LIFE OF THE DOG, the new owner cannot care for and/or maintain the dog.

I required all new owners to have a fenced yard and/or fenced exercise enclosure for the benefit and safety of the dog and the community. I have never had any complaints or disgruntled new owners. I carefully evaluate new potential homes to assure that they meet my expectations for the care of my puppies. The new owner must be financially able to care for my puppies. I do not sell to people who cannot afford to keep a dog up to my expectations. Of my three breedings, 12 puppies total, in 26 years, only one puppy returned to me due to the new owner's change in work schedule, taking her out-of-state. I know where the 12 puppies are, and I maintain contact with the owners periodically.

My Conformation Show Puppy potentials are sold on an unlimited bases (not/spayed or neutered), as these pups are the best pups of the breeding in the litter and will perpetuate the AKC Purebred standard for my breed, the Shetland Sheepdog.

Can the HUMANE SOCIETY match my standards, which is basically the standards that Purebred Dog Fanciers throughout the State live by...I doubt that they do. When I visited the Hawaii Humane Society in Keaau in February 2012, I witnessed that they had multiple dogs in all kennels, and they did not have unrestricted access to a play yard. Their standards of housing were far inferior to my dog kennels and play yards...the dogs were not able to come into a house and lounge on the sofa as my dogs do...they did not have toys, blankets, or pillows like my dogs do. A huge double standard contained in HB108 Amended.

I am not opposed to LIMITED control of dog breeding and sales, as I have rescued dogs that irresponsible individuals cast aside and abandoned. I cared for the recues WITHOUT THE HELP OF THE HAWAII HUMANE SOCIETY, and I re-homed those rescues with loving families...I did not euthanize them as the Humane Society would have done.

I believe that HB 108 AMENDED is overly restrictive and unreasonable. It is an attack on all due to the irresponsibility of a few. It is a double standard, giving exception to the Humane Society, Veterinarians, Rescue Groups, etc. while oppressing the general public dog fanciers. It is being pushed forward by an organization that is NOT local, with lobby interest, with questionable non-profit status, an organization that begs for donations nationally on television, but also an organization that slaughters millions of dogs annually under the umbrella of being HUMANE !! HUMANE would exemplify passing on the millions of dollars they generate annually from the general public and funneling that money back to the local shelters. Instead, the donations are used to fatten the cows grazing in the board room and executive offices of the Humane Society. I challenge Hawaii legislatures not to be swayed by the Humane Society lobbyist and their puppet Clayton Hee, stand up against legislation that does more harm than good. Oppose HB108 AMENDED, and instead work on a bill that will effectively control the

perpetrators of cruelty and abuse in an appropriate and reasonable way, without exterminating the dog fancier.

To restrict our breedings of Purebred dogs as allowed in HB108 AMENDED will ultimately kill the sport of Conformation and Show Dogs in Hawaii. Only intact Dogs and Bitches are allowed to be in the Conforamtion Ring according to AKC Rules and Proceedures...Please do not destroy the Show Dog Sport in Hawaii. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THE HUMANE SOCIETY TO DICTATE THAT Hawaii become an anti-dog State...where is the ALOHA in that reality. Stop this bill as it is written and submit a revision that is reasonable and that promotes responsible dog ownership as well as Purebred Breeding Programs.. Check out what the American Kennel Club, Eukanuba and Iams Company, and Purina Company promotes as responsible breeding programs.

Importation of dogs to the Hawaiian Islands is limited and strictly regulated. HB108 AMENDED calls into question where citizens of Hawaii will obtain future generations of Purebred dogs and pets.

Thank you for your support in OPPOSING HB108 AMENDED.

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Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Susan K. Govier
Organization: Individual
E-mail: govierj001@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 3/28/2012

Comments:

To Chairman Hee, Vice-Chaiman Shimabukuro, and Members of the Committee:

I OPPOSE HB 108 SD1.

I have previously submitted testimony OPPOSED to SB 2492 and SB 2494.
I have previously submitted testimony in SUPPORT of HCR 141.
I am a lifelong resident of Hawaii and registered voter.

I, and my family, have always had dogs as companions, both pure-bred and poi dogs. I am a member of the Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Hawaii, a founding member of Terriers In Paradise and have belonged to the United states Kerry Blue Terrier Club and The American Working Terrier Association as well as the local Obedience Training Club of Hawaii and the Leeward Training Club. I have been involved through my dog club in dog rescues and placements and have adopted a rescue dog myself. I currently have one dog in my immediate family.

I am against "puppy mills" and dog fighting (HB 108-original bill); I am for ethical treatment of animals, as is everyone I am associated with in my dog community and my larger community.
However, there are a few people who do mistreat animals and I support suitable legislation to address this, especially the recent "puppy mill" in Waimanalo and their ability to manipulate the system and avoid accountability through corporate procedure.

The proposed bills, SB 2492, SB 2494 and SB 2504, now brought forth as HB 108 and amendment HB 108 SD1, do not deal with the problems associated with that "puppy mill". Instead, through the amendment, and like the originally numbered bills, they penalize, may even criminalize, regular ordinary dog folks and ethical dog businesses which is like making anyone of us who walks into our local 7-11 a criminal because an armed robber has gone into the 7-11 and robbed them and might do so in the future.
We ordinary dog people and dog businesses are not villains or criminals, not mistreating animals, and these bills would lump us into the same category as those who are running "puppy mills".

This attempt to bring back SB 2492, SB 2494 and SB 2504 as HB 108 and the amendment HB 108 SD1 does not stop "puppy mills" like the recent Waimanalo operation and does not punish the miscreants. Not only does it not address how to stop the "puppymills" from manipulating the system, it retains the egregious problems with the original numbered bills in that the focus is on the ordinary local dog person who may have a litter of puppies and the ethical dog businesses and not the unethical people hiding behind corporate legal

procedures. Though opinions may differ on how to handle the "puppy mill" problem, it is a fact that all dog businesses, all dog owners, all dog breeders are not "puppy mills" and treating each of these separate entities as if they are one and the same defies common sense.

The HCR141 proposal which requests the director of DCCA to convene a task force composed of our local professionals to develop suitable legislation for Hawaii, which would hold the wrongdoers accountable while protecting our animals, our local people and local businesses, is the reasonable step to provide suitable legislation on dog breeding and I will urge support of that type of prudent act.

We here in Hawaii do know what we need to do for our community.

I urge you to listen to your local dog clubs and ordinary dog loving constituents.

This bring back as HB108 and amendment HB 108 SD1 is not the way to abolish puppy mills.

Please OPPOSE HB 108 and the amendment HB 108 SD1.

Sincerely, Susan K.(Kane Lucas)Govier



Dear Honorable Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair Rhoads, and Committee Members,

My name is Theresa Donnelly, and I am urging you to support **HB 108 HD1**, relating to breeding animals and pet store sales. I am the owner of Hawaii Military Pets, an online resource with 1,350 Facebook fans and numerous web hits to our blog. We educate on responsible pet ownership among Hawaii military pet owners. I am also secretary of The Boxer Club of Hawaii, which helps educate the public on responsible breeding.

Although I am not opposed to licensing, I think we need breeder buy-in before proposing a licensing program. I think when breeders, the humane society and pet stores work together we accomplish more for animals.

I know that SB 2492 is now at a place where many have come to consensus on. I am not personally opposed to breeders having a license, but the enforcement process must be transparent to responsible breeders.

I completely support part three of the bill and ask you please keep that portion of the bill. Right now, this bill is the only way I know of protecting animals at pet stores. Hawaii currently has no laws protecting animals sold through the pet trade nor do we prohibit the sale of animals off the side of the road. Roadside sales are unsanitary and a stain on a caring community.

Ideally, if pet owners want to get a puppy from a breeder they will personally inspect the breeding home to ensure the animal is cared for properly.

I hope you support this important bill.

Theresa

Theresa Donnelly
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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Carol Agard
Organization: Dachshund Club of Hawaii
E-mail: carol.agard@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
STRONG OPPOSITION TO HB108,HD1

From: INSPIREVISION@aol.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 4:37 PM
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Cc: jfischer@hawaii.edu; igibson@hsus.org
Subject: RE: HB108 SD1

Aloha Chair Senator Hee and Vice Chair Maile Shimabukuro:

Thank you for helping animals of Hawaii.
I support the intent of HB108 SD1 with AMENDMENTS.

As we are so aware, dogs are not machines. They are loving, emotional and loyal friends and companions, at times, have humbled us with their heroism, selflessness, and devotion. Dogs used for breeding, should be treated with the greatest care, as dogs have emotional needs to belong, to be loved.

However, I am in strong objection to HB108 SD1 page 16, line 14 to 21, to any dogs seized from breeders, to be placed in a category leaving them open to euthanasia if not redeemed. I urge to amend not to be euthanized if not redeemed, unless compassion sees that the physical suffering is more painful and intolerable.

How is it that we attempt to improve the quality of breeding dogs living standards yet subject them to such a sad destiny if their breeders fail to comply with the improved standards?

Please find a good solution for the breeding dogs, or their offspring by giving them better lives if they are seized. Expansion of foster care homes would greatly help and the network of pool of people looking for pets could be greatly expanded with today's ability to communicate pet availability for adoptions on a global basis.

Reducing the numbers of births for pets and increasing the foster care would help all animals. They really do want to live as long they can. Anyone who has pets, understand their nature. Please, amend and delete any references to euthanization as a readily available option due to lack of space.

Mahalo,
Jane Shiraki
Honolulu

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Dorothy Ezell
Organization: Individual
E-mail: ezdj@centurytel.net
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

Too restrictive and not necessary will put good small breeders out of business who are conscientious and care about their dogs, etc.

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Cc: viprot@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Pete Diaz
Organization: Individual
E-mail: viprot@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

I understand the need to protect our dogs from inhumane treatment, but at the cost of affecting the law abiding citizens is going to far. Learn from the mistakes that were made with the waimanalo puppy mill and tailor the laws to address those commercial enterprises.

Sincerely

Pete Diaz

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Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 6:13 PM
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Cc: tsubotad2807@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: darlene tsubota
Organization: Individual
E-mail: tsubotad2807@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 6:38 PM
To: JDLTestimony
Cc: kianas@hawaiiantel.net
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Diane Kimura-Sugiyama
Organization: Individual
E-mail: kianas@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

We are against this bill because there have been amendments made without prior knowledge. We are dog lovers and want to continue to be able to buy dogs from good quality breeders. Why are you trying to stop people from owning mans best friend? Some of us treat our dogs just as good or better than family. Shame on you, Senator Hee and others who listen to the Humane Society of the US. (they are PETA people) What will happen someday when they tell you it is illegal to brand your cattle because that is mistreatment of animals. Will you believe them still?

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: sandy solis
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Comments:
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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Everett Bransford
Organization: Individual
E-mail: futureconsumer@mac.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Clayton Cotton
Organization: Individual
E-mail: cky808@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

All I can say about all this is that the creator of this bill and those supporting this bill are "Pilau!" You are trying to hide this bill from the public so that it passes and no one has any saying in the matter. We the public can clearly see what you guys are trying to do. You are amending this bill by adding things that were in previous bills that was deferred. This is so wrong!!! Why don't you focus on more important issues that our state is facing, instead of wasting our taxpayers money. The Hawaii State Legislature really needs to set more higher priorities instead of having the need to keep focusing on this same subject matter over and over. All pau!

STRONG OPPOSITION TO HB 108 SD1

I do not support the amendments proposed by Senator Hee which remove all provisions outlawing dog fights and replaces them with SB2492, SB2494 and SB2504. Please do not move this bill forward.

Carol Agard

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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
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Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Troy Inouye
Organization: Individual
E-mail: iFlex@iwon.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
What I'm oppose to is the amendment HB108 SD1.
Aloha,
Troy

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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To: JDLTestimony
Cc: Linda.Jenks@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Linda Jenks
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Linda.Jenks@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

I'm a dog lover and I oppose this legislation. It will make it very difficult for dog lovers to breed locally.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: ebistar69965@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Blossom Mau
Organization: Individual
E-mail: ebistar69965@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

I am an AKC Canine Good Citizen Evaluator. I have been evaluating dogs out in the community for over 8 years and stress to the dog owners the importance of Responsible Dog ownership. I am also a member of the Board of Directors for OTCH (Obedience Training Club of Hawaii), the English Cocker Spaniel Club of America and Kindergarten Puppy Instructor. I belong to various non-dog related clubs with strong affiliations to Free Masonry and Shriners who do a lot of charity work in the community.

I strongly urge you to oppose HB108 as it will not fix the current problems we have in Hawaii regarding "Puppy Mills". The language has been changed in this Bill so it no longer pertains to dog fighting in Hawaii but regulations on how dog owners breed, house and treat their pets. The dog owners, breeders and show exhibitors have always gone above and beyond in making sure their animals are well taken care of. This bill would put my pets in danger as they would not longer have a safe home to live in.

Testimony in OPPOSITION of HB108 SD1

HB108 was passed out of the house as a bill to outlaw dog fighting which I was in support of. This bill has been extremely amended to the point it no longer addresses dog fighting in any way. I oppose these amendments changing the dog fighting cruelty bill into a dog breeding regulation bill. The original language was replaced with language from other bills in progress SB2494, SB2492 and SB2504. I feel this was done in an underhanded maneuver to attempt passing these bills in the guise of a bill that was strongly supported by the opposition of those bills. Do not reward dishonesty and deception that makes a mockery of our legislative process. The original bills must stand on their own merit and come to a result by an honest process. A "NO" vote is the only ethical option.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Dayna Beyer
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Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill HB108SD1.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 11:00 PM
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Cc: louieagard@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HB108 on 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM

Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Louis Agard III
Organization: Individual
E-mail: louieagard@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 3/27/2012

Comments:
I STRONGLY OPPOSE THIS BILL.

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
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Comments:

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Testimony for JDL 3/28/2012 10:30:00 AM HB108

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: **Oppose**
Testifier will be present: No
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Comments:

HB108 SD1 should be rejected; as should SB2492 which HB108 SD1 tries to incorporate. Instead, HCR141 which calls for formulation of a task force to study how to prevent animal cruelty by large scale commercial breeders should be supported. I don't believe that this legislation as written will achieve the noble intent of preventing animal cruelty. More discussion is needed to craft legislation that identifies and penalizes abusers both small and large scale; yet recognizes the rights and value of reputable breeders.

Reject this bill and support HCR141 - that would be the right thing to do! Mahalo!

From: Joel Fischer [jfischer@hawaii.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2012 11:40 AM
To: INSPIREVISION@aol.com
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Subject: Re: RE: HB108 SD1

FANTASTIC, Jane. Thank you!

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From: INSPIREVISION@aol.com
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Subject: RE: HB108 SD1
To: Jdltestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov
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- > Aloha Chair Senator Hee and Vice Chair Maile Shimabukuro:
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- > Thank you for helping animals of Hawaii.
- > I support the intent of HB108 SD1 with AMENDMENTS.
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- > As we are so aware, dogs are not machines. They are loving, emotional and loyal friends and companions, at times, have humbled us with their heroism, selflessness, and devotion. Dogs used for breeding, should be treated with the greatest care, as dogs have emotional needs to belong, to be loved.
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- > However, I am in strong objection to HB108 SD1 page 16, line 14 to 21, to any dogs seized from breeders, to be placed in a category leaving them open to euthanasia if not redeemed. I urge to amend not to be euthanized if not redeemed, unless compassion sees that the physical suffering is more painful and intolerable.
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- > How is it that we attempt to improve the quality of breeding dogs living standards yet subject them to such a sad destiny if their breeders fail to comply with the improved standards?
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- > Please find a good solution for the breeding dogs, or their offspring by giving them better lives if they are seized. Expansion of foster care homes would greatly help and the network of pool of people looking for pets could be greatly expanded with today's ability to communicate pet availability for adoptions on a global basis.
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- > Reducing the numbers of births for pets and increasing the foster care would help all animals. They really do want to live as long they can. Anyone who has pets, understand their nature. Please, amend and delete any references to euthanization as a readily available option due to lack of space.
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- > Mahalo,
- > Jane Shiraki
- > Honolulu
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Comments: