



TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEES ON  
AGRICULTURE and ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION &  
BUSINESS

HOUSE BILL 1869  
RELATING TO AGRICULTURE

PRESENTED TO THE TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FEBRUARY 2012

CHAIRPERSONS CLIFT TSUJI, ANGUS McKELVEY and Members of the  
Committees:

**STRONG SUPPORT.**

My name is Loren Mochida, Director of Agriculture Operations at W. H. Shipman, Limited in Keaau on the Big Island. We are a local kamaaina-family owned land management company that is engaged in Agriculture and Commercial/Industrial development and leasing. We currently lease lands to over 130 individual growers at W.H. Shipman, Ltd.

W. H. Shipman, Ltd., supports HB 1869 and its intent, Relating to Agriculture. The established enforcement fund from monies received from fines will assist our local police officers in assisting our efforts to curtail trespassers and illegal hunters. Criminal trespass on farm properties in Keaau and throughout the Big Island is a major problem. This also results in a number of problems destructive to our farms.

Illegal trespassers and hunters increase the liability for the landowner and their families and workers. Landowners are constantly dealing with trespassers and illegal hunters. Theft in the first degree will increase awareness to these problems.



Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide testimony on HB 1869.

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**Comments:**

Class B Felony should have stronger penalties based on specific economic losses due to theft. The minimum is too low and need to reflect a stronger consequence to discourage the criminal act all together.