

SB 2208

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SUBJECT: INCOME, Tax checkoff for the spay and neuter special fund

BILL NUMBER: SB 2208; HB 2726 (Identical)

INTRODUCED BY: SB by Hee; HB by Manahan, Aquino, Brower, Choy, Cullen, Keith-Agaran, Mizuno, Yamane and 1 Democrat

BRIEF SUMMARY: Adds a new section to HRS chapter 235 to allow individual taxpayers whose state income tax refund for any taxable year is \$5 or more, to designate \$5 to be paid to the spay and neuter special fund. For joint taxpayers with an income tax refund of \$10 or more, each spouse may designate \$5 into the fund. Directs the director of taxation to revise the state income tax forms as necessary. Allows designations to be made by filing an amended income tax return if filed within 20 months and 10 days after the due date of the original return.

Adds a new section to HRS chapter 143 to establish a spay and neuter special fund to be administered by the department of budget and finance. The fund shall be used to cover costs to reduce the number of feral animals through spaying and neutering, educate the public regarding the importance of spaying and neutering pets, and prevent homeless animal overpopulation. Establishes an advisory committee to assist the department in establishing the eligibility criteria and procedures in making disbursements from the special fund.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Tax years beginning after December 31, 2011

STAFF COMMENTS: This measure adds the spay and neuter special fund to the growing list of programs for which taxpayers due an income tax refund may designate all or a portion of that refund.

A survey by the Federation of Tax Administrators found that the states that utilize checkoff programs have been experiencing a decline in the amount of moneys designated through the checkoff mechanism. The survey also found that due to the administrative costs associated with the checkoff programs, states that currently have the checkoffs are looking to adopt expiration clauses and other means to remove the less productive checkoffs. Lawmakers seem to view such checkoffs as absolution of their responsibility to deal with such problems by turning the response directly over to the taxpayer. However, in the long run, the cost of administering the checkoff merely siphons resources that should otherwise be used for providing needed public services. If lawmakers believe that earmarking funds through a checkoff system is appropriate, then they might consider placing all programs on the state income tax form for designation and consider repealing the legislative body as there will be no reason for the legislature to exist because decisions will have been made by the income taxpayer.

If lawmakers believe certain programs are of great importance, then they can prioritize those programs through the appropriations process. With the Hawaii tax burden already so heavy, why should taxpayers turn any more of their hard earned dollars over to government? What lawmakers also do not recognize is that by creating these checkoffs, they add to the cost of administering the law, a cost which steals funds from other programs like those enumerated for a checkoff designation.

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Allan Schildknecht
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Allanschildknecht@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:
I support this Bill and recommend passage. Thank-you!

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Cc: angela@rainydaze.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Angela Smith
Organization: Individual
E-mail: angela@rainydaze.net
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:
I support this bill. Please vote to pass this bill. Mahalo and Aloha!

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: bcsterne@att.net
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Conference room: 016
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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Barbara C Sterne
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Beth Aweau
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:
I support this bill.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: betina808@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Betina Parker
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Bonnie Osaki
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Bonnieosaki@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:



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February 8, 2011

TO: Judiciary & Labor Committee

RE: Support of SB2208

Dear Honorable Chair Hee, Vice-Chair Shimabukuro, and Senate Judiciary & Labor Committee members:

I am writing in support of SB2208 which would allow residents to make a \$5 donation to support spay-neuter statewide when filing their Hawaii state income tax each year.

The Maui Humane Society receives over 9,000 animals per year. Many of these are the result of unwanted litters of puppies and kittens and/or a result of the feral cat population. This fund would assist us in providing low or no cost surgeries to those who need it which in turn would lower our intake rates over time.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill.
Mahalo,

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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Testifier will be present: No
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:
I support this bill. Please vote to pass this bill. Mahalo and Aloha!

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: catherine guys
Organization: Individual
E-mail: etienne2_98@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Cc: cwyckoff79@ymail.com
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Christina Wyckoff
Organization: Individual
E-mail: cwyckoff79@ymail.com
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:
Please pass this measure

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Cc: cshieehan@mauihumanesociety.org
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Claire M. Sheehan
Organization: Individual
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Cc: woolwahine@gmail.com
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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

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Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Dana Jones
Organization: Individual
E-mail: woolwahine@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Dawn Kattengell
Organization: Individual
E-mail: dkatt@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Cc: elaineJohnson@nerdshack.com
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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: elaine Johnson
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:
I support the concept of this bill

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Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Helene Navaro
Organization: Individual
E-mail: NavaroH001@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

Funds are necessary to support spay and neuter program, a must have program in Hawaii.

Too many dumped pets on the street breeding and suffering. This Bill is the right thing to do for the Islands. Pls give your support. Mahalo Nui Loa.

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Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Jacque Yoshizumi
Organization: Individual
E-mail: maile2710@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

I am strongly in support of this bill. I have two cats and got one spayed with the certificate that the humane society gave about 5 years ago. The other cat was neutered because I adopted him from the Hawaiian Humane Society. Having a fund to help the cause of making spaying/neutering more affordable to pet owners helps EVERYONE. If there is over population of cats or dogs, it is everyone's problem. Giving people the option of donating to the cause is a good thing. People want to donate, some just need a convenience of having a box to just check off. By including this in our tax forms, it gives people the choice to either help the cause or to decline. Thank you for your consideration.

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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Jason takemoto
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E-mail: Jasonese@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:
I doesn't hurt to put it on

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Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Jennifer Chiwa
Organization: Individual
E-mail: jenniferc@oha.org
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Cc: milojoanna@yahoo.com
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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: joanna milo
Organization: Individual
E-mail: milojoanna@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

From: [Joel Fischer](#)
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Importance: High

**SB2208, Relating to Animals
JDL; Chair, Sen. Hee**

PLEASE PASS THIS BILL!

Thank you for your concern for the many animals in the community whose lives actually might be saved by the spay and neuter program. The entire community should be thanking you because the research shows that spay and neuter programs are the best way to reduce the feral cat "problem."

It would be an enormous embarrassment to our entire community if the spay and neuter program were to die for lack of funding.

Thank you again for passing this bill.

Aloha, joel

Dr. Joel Fischer, ACSW
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"It is reasonable that everyone who asks justice should DO justice."
Thomas Jefferson

"There comes a time when one must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic, nor popular, but one must take it because one's conscience tells one that it is right."
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Never, never, never quit."
Winston Churchill

It is better to be "over the hill" than under it.
Anonymous

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: Education@MauiHumaneSociety.org
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
Date: Thursday, February 09, 2012 8:22:31 AM

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Josephine Tempongko
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Education@MauiHumaneSociety.org
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

This bill is a great way to make it easy for citizens in our community to support a program that prevents cruelty on a very wide scale here on the island. It also raises awareness of its importance and could make a significant difference in controlling pet overpopulation on the island.

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Judith and Ronald Aikawa
Organization: Individual
E-mail: spikecat1@aol.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Cc: fitchettl001@hawaii.rr.com
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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: LAVERNE FITCHETT
Organization: Individual
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Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: Leo_Mateo@glic.com
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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Leo Mateo
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Leo_Mateo@glic.com
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

Any fund to support the control of over population of animals - tame or wild, is a good measure. People need to be educated on the positive affects of spaying and neuturing their pets. The university I graduated from captured feral cats and spayed and neutered them to control over population as the university was a dumping ground for pet owners to drop off their unwanted pets. This was in agreement with a local veterinary clinic which spayed and neutered at an extremely low rate the feral cats.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Testifier position:
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Mary Jewell
Organization: Individual
E-mail: marypjewell@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

i feel that this is a wonderful way to raise money for the animals of Hawaii. I do not make political donations to presidential campaigns on my tax form. The government gets enough of my money....politicians have their platforms and voices to raise funds, the abandoned and abused animals have no voice. Please pass this bill

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: mason@rainydaze.net
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Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Mason Smith
Organization: Individual
E-mail: mason@rainydaze.net
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:
I support this bill. Please vote to pass this bill. Mahalo and Aloha!

To: The Honorable Chair Clayton Hee, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Date: Friday, February 10, 2012 at 9:30AM, Conference Room 016

Re: In Support of SB 2208: Relating to Animals

Chair Hee, Vice-Chair Shimabukuro, and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony. My name is Mayumi Levesque and I live in Lower Manoa. I am a social worker by profession, but also a community volunteer and advocate. As a volunteer for the Hawaiian Humane Society (and other animal welfare organizations in the past), I have come to recognize the impact of spay-neuter programs on not only the HHS and the animals served, but also the community at large. Significant numbers of dogs and cats without homes and persons to care for them can pose a threat to public health and safety, as they scurry across public roads/highways and come into contact with the public without having had adequate veterinary care. One can see the extreme examples of this in third world countries where such well-run organizations are rare to nonexistent. Hence animals are omnipresent in urban streets, affecting the people who share their living space. Fortunately, we've got lots of programs in Hawaii to help with this—but funding is insufficient.

Without funding, the HHS cannot carry out its mission to ensure the welfare of animals that are already in need. I've seen how overcrowded the shelter has been for many months on end. With spay/neuter funding and adequate community education and outreach, the problem of animal overpopulation can be sufficiently dealt with in a way that is great for the animals, for the public, and at minimal expense to taxpayers. In fact, it's an optional expense.

Please help the Humane Society spread awareness of the importance of spaying and neutering their pets. This way we can keep numbers of homeless animals at a minimum, and the Hawaiian Humane Society and other organizations can effectively help and care for the animals that are already here.

I urge your support of SB 2208. Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Mayumi Levesque

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Cc: ferndoggies@gmail.com
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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: P Fern
Organization: Individual
E-mail: ferndoggies@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

We have a serious overpopulation resulting in high euthanasia.
Many who wants to spay/neuter can not afford to do it at \$350 to \$550.
This would help to alleviate some of the problem.
It costs tax payers money to euthanize, so this would be fiscally sound measure.
Thank you

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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

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Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Rene Umberger
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Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

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Testifier will be present: No
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Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Cc: stacykt@hawaii.edu
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
Date: Thursday, February 09, 2012 8:29:25 AM

Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Stacy Takekawa
Organization: Individual
E-mail: stacykt@hawaii.edu
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Cc: aloharunner@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 10:57:10 AM

Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Stephanie McLaughlin
Organization: Individual
E-mail: aloharunner@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:
Please pass this bill.

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Cc: swakukawa@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 7:02:04 PM

Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Susan Murayama
Organization: Individual
E-mail: swakukawa@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Cc: sue@kauaiibeach.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2208 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 10:42:11 AM

Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2208

Conference room: 016
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Susan Scott
Organization: Individual
E-mail: sue@kauaiibeach.com
Submitted on: 2/8/2012

Comments:

Overpopulation of cats and dogs is a problem for every island. Not only does it cost the taxpayers money but it results in tremendous suffering and death for the animals. Human neglect is the sole reason for this situation. Please make people take responsible action to solve this community problem, pass this bill.

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Cindy Nichols](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 3:19:20 PM

Feb 8, 2012

Hawaii Senate Judiciary and Labor Committee
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Cindy Nichols
1487 Hiiikala Pl Apt 23
Honolulu, HI 96816-5633

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Cynthia Fallis](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 10:48:23 AM

Feb 8, 2012

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"We can judge the heart of a man by his treatment of animals."

-- Immanuel Kant

Sincerely,

Ms. Cynthia Fallis
92-575 Akaula St
Kapolei, HI 96707-1049

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Elizabeth Fraize](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Tuesday, February 07, 2012 7:46:38 PM

Feb 7, 2012

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Sincerely,

Ms. Elizabeth Fraize
54-001 Kahikole Pl
Hauula, HI 96717-9524
(808) 282-2686

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Jason Takemoto](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 12:16:41 AM

Feb 8, 2012

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Sincerely,

Mr. Jason Takemoto
2401 Myrtle St
Honolulu, HI 96816-3113

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Jenny Price](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Tuesday, February 07, 2012 9:46:07 PM

Feb 8, 2012

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jenny Price
92-1979 Kulihi St
Kapolei, HI 96707-3408

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Jo Ann Trask](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Tuesday, February 07, 2012 7:19:24 PM

Feb 7, 2012

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jo Ann Trask
46-551 Haiku Plantations Pl
Kaneohe, HI 96744-4213
(808) 235-4226

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Joy Cristino Cristino](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 6:48:56 PM

Feb 8, 2012

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals. Please support bills SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208.

Sincerely,

Miss Joy Cristino Cristino
PO Box 10010
Hnl. HI 96816
Honolulu, HI 96816-0010
(808) 371-1701

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Kellie Chang](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Tuesday, February 07, 2012 11:16:52 PM

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kellie Chang
Hawaii Loa St.
Honolulu, HI 96821-2009

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Kerry John](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 10:47:53 AM

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals. Hawaii can move further into the 21st century as more of a leader than provincial in respects to all life. Malama ka aina, e malama All Life -- just as Ke Akua would expect of us all.

Sincerely,

Ms. Kerry John
PO Box 10010
Honolulu, HI 96816-0010

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Lisa Sarne](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 7:48:45 PM

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Thank you for your on going support and compassion for the animals. They need you.

aloha,

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lisa Sarne
701 Hoohaaheo Pl
Pearl City, HI 96782-1802
(808) 220-3710

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Mike Rueli](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Wednesday, February 08, 2012 7:17:20 AM

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals.

Sincerely,

Mr. Mike Rueli
637 8th Ave
Honolulu, HI 96816-2109

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [Patricia Wayman](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Tuesday, February 07, 2012 8:16:37 PM

Feb 8, 2012

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals. These bills are long overdue. I know you are caring people who want to see all animals treated humanely. Please do the right thing and support these bills.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Patricia Wayman
1718 Uhi Pl
Honolulu, HI 96821-1140
808-285-981

From: [The Humane Society of the United States](#) on behalf of [takako mino](#)
To: [JDLTestimony](#)
Subject: Please support SB2502, SB2492, and SB2208 to protect Hawaii's animals
Date: Tuesday, February 07, 2012 10:16:46 PM

Feb 8, 2012

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Thank you for your compassion for the animals.

Sincerely,

Ms. takako mino
6750 Hawaii Kai Dr Apt 104
Honolulu, HI 96825-1521