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**THE HONORABLE CLAYTON HEE, CHAIR**  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR**  
**Twenty-sixth State Legislature**  
**Regular Session of 2011**  
**State of Hawai`i**

February 10, 2012

**RE: S.B. 2492; RELATING TO ANIMAL CRUELTY.**

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 Senate Bill 2492.

The purpose of this bill is to establish a standard requirement for large-scale dog breeders. The Department agrees that it is necessary to establish such requirements, to ensure that the dogs are provided with humane care and treatment; and protect the public from purchasing unhealthy dogs. The bill also limits the total number of dogs to thirty (30) per person, and states that violations of these laws would be a misdemeanor.

The Department believes that S.B. 2492 would work alongside existing laws to prevent these specific forms of animal cruelty, and serve as a much-needed deterrent to those who may be inclined to over-breed or wrongfully breed dogs. For these reasons, we support the passage of S.B. 2492. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



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**To:** Honorable Chair Hee  
Vice-Chair Shimabukuro and Committee  
Members  
Senate Judiciary and Labor Committee  
February 10, 2012, 9:30 am, Room 016

**Submitted by:** Natalie Lukashevsky, Community Outreach  
Coordinator  
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**Date:** February 9, 2012

**RE: Support SB2492;  
Relating to Animal Cruelty: Large-scale  
breeding**

Dear Honorable Chair Hee, Vice-Chair Shimabukuro and  
Members,

Across the nation we have become aware of appalling conditions at large-scale dog breeding operations or "puppy mills" who are main suppliers to pet retailers at brick and mortar stores or online. Recently, in February 2011, the Hawaiian Humane Society rescued 153 adult dogs from a large-scale breeding facility in Waimanalo where dogs were discovered living in abject filth, fur matted from years of confinement in excrement, without adequate water or nutrition, shelter, human interaction, exercise or socialization. For those who love animals and know the social nature of dogs, this type of cruelty is unimaginable.

Aside from detrimental health and behavior effects these conditions have on the "parent" dogs of puppies born of puppy mills, we, as an organization witnessed clear signs of "bad breeding" from the Waimanalo puppy mill puppies. Puppies born in these conditions are subject to parasite infestation, diseases and genetic abnormalities such as hip dysplasia, that would



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typically be "bred out" of "stock" through reputable breeding practices.

This bill would provide protection for breeding dogs by outlining standards of care including nutrition, exercise and housing, and ensuring that an entity owning over 10 breeding animals keep appropriate and accurate records of veterinary treatment, inoculation and breeding frequency. Likewise, the consumer will be protected through accurate record-keeping and would have the security in knowing that a dog is fit for breeding through proper veterinary medicine channels. It will prohibit entities from owning more than 30 dogs which would prevent a business from exploiting dozens of animals purely for profit as we saw in Waimanalo.

After further review and analysis we would like to offer the following amendments to this version of the bill:

1. Changing the age of the dogs from six months to four months on page 2, lines 4, 9 and 11.
2. Adding a definition of "Covered Dog" after line 19 on page 2.
3. Modifying the language on page 3, lines 13-20.
4. Modifying the language on page 4, lines 15 to 17.
5. Modifying the language on page 4, lines 18-20 and on page 5, lines 1-7.
6. Modifying the language on page 5, lines 8-9.
7. Substituting the word "covered" in various places throughout the bill and deleting the words "over the age of six months with intact sexual organs". This conforms to the new definition of Covered Dogs on page 2.
8. Modifying the language on page 6, lines 1-16.
9. Adding new provision after line 16 on page 6 and after line 17 on page 6.
10. Adding new language onto line 12, page 8.

A complete copy with the amendments suggested are attached to this testimony with the additions underlined and the deletions in brackets [ ].

More than 20 states have passed similar laws in the past several years to prevent this type of cruelty to dogs. We hope that Hawaii can be the next state to adopt legislation to protect these animals who are all too often exploited and abused for profit.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill and to suggest the amendments.

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kristin E Herrick  
Organization: Individual  
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Submitted on: 2/10/2012

**Comments:**

Dogs deserve better - they have no voice of their own and need protection. Please support this bill that would give them not luxury, but necessary provisions.

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
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E-mail: [JessicaRoseSimmons@hotmail.com](mailto:JessicaRoseSimmons@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Ginger Chock  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [gtchock@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:gtchock@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Keith Watanabe  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [ampeep@yahoo.com](mailto:ampeep@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: Yes  
Submitted by: Suyin Phillips  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [suyin@hawaii.edu](mailto:suyin@hawaii.edu)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

Comments:



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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** jdenucci@hawaiianhumane.org  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Julie DeNucci  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [jdenucci@hawaiianhumane.org](mailto:jdenucci@hawaiianhumane.org)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

Comments:

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**Cc:** owlit1@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Frances Pueo  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [owlit1@gmail.com](mailto:owlit1@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

**Comments:**

I, Frances P. Pueo, support SB#2492  
Animal Cruelty; Dog Breeders.

Please tell me why we need puppy mills when over 1,000 animals are being euthanized every month on the Big Isle - Hawai'i? We have an animal overpopulation, and 30% of purebreds nationwide become part of these euthanasia numbers.

I am constantly witnessing throughout the year puppies of different breeds sold out of cars parked along the easements near shopping centers, parks, etc., from Hilo town, Keauu to Puna.

The breeders are doing so for pure profit, presently there are no regulations to protect these animals, or inspections on the conditions they are stabled in, or how many times the 'Bitch' is bred, or whether or not health check-ups are maintained on a regular basis.

Within the last month, a dog breeding facility has moved from Oahu to Mountain View, near our subdivision. Have heard, they plan to increase the number of dogs on this property from 20 to over 200 dogs.

In this puppy mill, there is no park way for these animals to exercise in, the dog kennel for each dog looks too small for an animal to be in 24/7, and questions on how are they disposing of the dog feces? Also, will they have sufficient staff to care for these animals.

Puppy mills are money mills - And our state needs to protect these animals by establishing standards of care, records of up keeping for each animal, allowing Humane Society officers to inspect on site conditions and include any and all penalties for not compliance.

Frances Pueo (808) 769-1128  
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**Cc:** ngk002@hawaii.rr.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kitty Ng  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [ngk002@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:ngk002@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

### Comments:

Puppy mills are pretty much what all these large scale breeders seem to be. They should be more than regulated , they should be done away with entirely but If that is not yet in the near future at the very least they need to be monitored and have regulations on care, space, cleanliness, etc.

I support the bill .

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** therapps@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Jennifer Rappenecker  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [therapps@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:therapps@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/10/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** pv44@clearwire.net  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Paul Vick  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [pv44@clearwire.net](mailto:pv44@clearwire.net)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** skylen@aol.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Steven Aoki  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [skylen@aol.com](mailto:skylen@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:  
I fully support SB2492!

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** esmeralda.shelly@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: shelly esmeralda  
Organization: Catfriends  
E-mail: [esmeralda.shelly@gmail.com](mailto:esmeralda.shelly@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** meaghan.ly@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Meaghan Ly  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [meaghan.ly@gmail.com](mailto:meaghan.ly@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

Hi, I own 2 dogs one is neutered and the other we may breed and a year or 2. I am in support of SB2492 because I believe that most breeders would be in compliance with the care/record keeping conditions of dog health/status anyway and so would not be a burden to the breeder. However, if enacted, it would at least to some degree, prevent "puppy mill" type breeders for harming their dogs if the dogs are required to obtain vet checks and the records of these checks subsequently stored. I would also be more costly for these "puppy mill" type breeders to run their businesses and so may prevent some from even going into the business of puppy breeding. I would also include the requirement that the breeding area for 10+ breeding dogs be certified by the state. Thank you, Meaghan



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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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Cc: nestingnoah@yahoo.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB2492 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: Laurie Kapaona  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [nestingnoah@yahoo.com](mailto:nestingnoah@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

This bill should be passed to ensure all animals are treated humanely. Dog breeders are making money off the animals they breed and in turn should use that money to make sure their animals are taken care of!

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Lisa  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [lisaparker808@aol.com](mailto:lisaparker808@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

It would be really nice if actual pet owners and breeders could be on a committee for suggestions.

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Lisa  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [lisaparker808@aol.com](mailto:lisaparker808@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

It would be really nice if actual pet owners and breeders could be on a committee for suggestions.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** michiro.iwanaga@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: Yes  
Submitted by: Michiro Iwanaga  
Organization: Shetland Sheepdog Club of Hawaii and others  
E-mail: [michiro.iwanaga@gmail.com](mailto:michiro.iwanaga@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

This testimony might be late, but I express great disappointment at a legislative tactic that reflects badly upon legislators.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** DARCEYKATHERINE@GMAIL.COM  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: KATHERINE UYENO  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [DARCEYKATHERINE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DARCEYKATHERINE@GMAIL.COM)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** DARCEYKATHERINE@GMAIL.COM  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: KATHERINE UYENO  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: DARCEYKATHERINE@GMAIL.COM  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** animalhumanitarian@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Michelle Bowerman  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [animalhumanitarian@gmail.com](mailto:animalhumanitarian@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** towle@hawaiiantel.net  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Ginger Towle, President  
Organization: West Hawaiian Humane Society  
E-mail: [towle@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:towle@hawaiiantel.net)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

The requirements listed in this bill are vital to the health and well being of any animal. The State of Hawaii needs to protect those who cannot protect themselves. It is our responsibility. We must make sure no breeder ever repeats what has recently happened on Oahu. Please pass this bill. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**Cc:** vdv@hawaii.rr.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Eleanor Vandervoort  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [vdv@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:vdv@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

PLEASE STOP the horrors of puppy mills by passing this bill. It assures the communities in which these operations are located that something can be done about the stench and noise coming from them. It provides the authorities and the HHS tools and measurements to prevent the torture that goes on within the confines of these greedy and uncaring operations.

January 9 2012

Re: SB2492

I am in opposition to SB2492, this bill penalizes good and responsible breeders of purebred dogs. Again this bill is not going after the culprits, which are the puppy mills, but actually going after those who cherish their dogs. It is practice with many breeders to co-own dogs that are intact with the party they are sold to. That is so that if a problem arises, this dog will go back to the breeder to be re-homed with the breeder's approval. This is to protect their dogs. This may mean that they own more than 10 intact dogs, but the name is on that animal, for protection and guidance, as to the care and well being of that dog. This bill would cause many to have to remove their names from those dogs and actually create exactly what you are trying to avoid, dogs going to shelters! Again legislation should be addressing the culprits, not the responsible breeders in Hawaii that cherish their breed and always try to do the best for them.

Please vote no on SB2494

Pamela Higgins

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: gail McElrath  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [akele33@aol.com](mailto:akele33@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Charlee D. C. Abrams  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [kksp@juno.com](mailto:kksp@juno.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**Cc:** ldrewry44@gmail.com  
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Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Leigh Drewry  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [ldrewry44@gmail.com](mailto:ldrewry44@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

## SB 2492 - Opposition

Another bill that surfaces every year! Apparently, the ownership of more than ten breeding dogs, more than thirty whole dogs at the same is considered a threat to the proponents of this legislation, and to the state of Hawaii. Limiting dog ownership will not protect dogs! Irresponsible owners exist regardless of how many dogs they own. There are irresponsible owners of many dogs and irresponsible owners of one dog!

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**To:** JDLEstimony  
**Cc:** kksp@juno.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM  
**Attachments:** SB 2492 Testimony.docx

Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2492

Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Charlee D. C. Abrams  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [kksp@juno.com](mailto:kksp@juno.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:



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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Charlee D. C. Abrams  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [kksp@juno.com](mailto:kksp@juno.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** kksp@juno.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM  
**Attachments:** SB 2494 Testimony.docx

Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2492

Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Charlee D. C. Abrams  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [kksp@juno.com](mailto:kksp@juno.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

## SB 2494 - Opposition

This bill suggests that those of us in the Hawaii Dog Fancy, who own more than two breeding purebred dogs, or anyone person in Hawaii who breeds dogs will become "outlaws," subject to both civil and criminal penalties if we cannot abide by your pages of rules and regulations. In your attempt to control puppy mills, are you not throwing us babies out with the bath water?

Am I reading this bill correctly? We hobby breeders must be licensed, provide access to our property at any time on demand, keep dog records that would rival a vet's, start measuring the square footage of our dog's living space, certify their exercise times, regulate their feeding and breeding according to your schedule, and then promise to neuter every puppy (and kittens included here too) that we offer for sale?

Should the intent of this bill be to control puppy mills, I suggest that an alternative to including all of us on all the islands of Hawaii who enjoy and pursue the hobby of breeding purebred dogs as criminals.

You do realize that passage of bills like 2494 will intimidate and eventually destroy the Hawaii dog and cat fancy!

Charlee Abrams

Lawai, HI

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 11:42 AM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** waikolene@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Darlene Lucas  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [waikolene@gmail.com](mailto:waikolene@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

As an ETHICAL Show dog owner, I oppose any law telling me what dog I own, can or cannot be bred. I also microchip ALL my dogs as soon as I buy or at 3 months old (before they are sold or placed) so that they can be traced and confirmed when registered with AKC and cannot be fraudulently registered...I also cannot see how anyone but the breeder can honestly assess my dogs and lines to produce a better dog. I spent years of research and education, am a member of the National dog clubs, am on online dog lists,etc... Can you guarantee whom ever enforces your laws is a fraction educated on dog conformation and health as I am???

That is why I oppose any law telling me what to do with my \*property\* (since dogs are still considered property). thank you

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 11:48 AM  
**To:** JDLEstimony  
**Cc:** lovetteb@lokahiconsulting.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Brenda Lovette  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [lovetteb@lokahiconsulting.com](mailto:lovetteb@lokahiconsulting.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Animals have no voice. This is necessary to ensure they are well cared for.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 11:59 AM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** lisaefowler@aol.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Lisa Fowler  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [lisaefowler@aol.com](mailto:lisaefowler@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLEstimony  
**Cc:** dhonda@hawaiianhumane.org  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Delcin Honda  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [dhonda@hawaiianhumane.org](mailto:dhonda@hawaiianhumane.org)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 12:10 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** angelaleslee@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM  
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Testimony for JDL 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM SB2492

Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Angela Leslee  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [angelaleslee@gmail.com](mailto:angelaleslee@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:



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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Angela Leslee  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [angelaleslee@gmail.com](mailto:angelaleslee@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 12:43 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** rthom57@prodigy.net  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Robyn Thomson  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [rthom57@prodigy.net](mailto:rthom57@prodigy.net)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

This is another bill from Mr. Hee that punishes all of us for the bad behavior of a few. Anyone with a Labrador who has a litter would come under this bill (I say Lab because they routinely have litters of 10 puppies). I have bred purebred dogs in the past, and am a judge for the American Kennel Club. I have done more to educate and assist dog owners than Mr. Hee ever will, but he thinks he can tell me how to manage. Trust me, this bill is wrong-headed and as previously stated, punishes everyone for the failings of the few. Please stop this bill.

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E-mail: [rthom57@prodigy.net](mailto:rthom57@prodigy.net)  
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**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 12:48 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** bonnieosaki@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Bonnie Osaki  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [bonnieosaki@gmail.com](mailto:bonnieosaki@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

I am in support of SB2492 and believe business owners should be held accountable to the same law regardless of land zoning.

Respectfully,  
Bonnie Osaki

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 2:08 PM  
**To:** JDL Testimony  
**Cc:** danderson@kahalaresort.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Denise Anderson  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [danderson@kahalaresort.com](mailto:danderson@kahalaresort.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

Breeders should be held to a higher standard, so yes, homes with more than 10 and no more than 30 should be regulated and subject to restrictions and penalties to insure humane treatment of animals.

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**Cc:** danderson@kahalaresort.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Denise Anderson  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [danderson@kahalaresort.com](mailto:danderson@kahalaresort.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Facilitating the support needed for stray animals is the responsibility of humanity, yes, give every citizen an easy way to contribute.

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**Cc:** danderson@kahalaresort.com  
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Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Denise Anderson  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [danderson@kahalaresort.com](mailto:danderson@kahalaresort.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Yes, please set up laws and penalties to seriously discourage the inhumane traps used by some folks.

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**Cc:** danderson@kahalaresort.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Denise Anderson  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [danderson@kahalaresort.com](mailto:danderson@kahalaresort.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Resuce procedures need to be in place where cruelty is found. I do support laws for this.



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**Cc:** danderson@kahalaresort.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Denise Anderson  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [danderson@kahalaresort.com](mailto:danderson@kahalaresort.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

I support this bill to penalize/prevent poaching of bears for gallbladders.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**Cc:** danderson@kahalaresort.com  
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Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Denise Anderson  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [danderson@kahalaresort.com](mailto:danderson@kahalaresort.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

I would definitely support considering threats to my pets a crime. Yes I support.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 3:05 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** beegood2@hawaiiantel.net  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 on 2/10/2012 9:30:00 AM

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Debi Cary  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [beegood2@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:beegood2@hawaiiantel.net)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

This bill seems to only be listening to the Humane Society's views and not AKC or any reputable breeder's. Most good breeders follow humane and stringent practices with our breeding stock in accordance with AKC rules and regulations anyway. The definitions are common sense! This bill will only penalize responsible breeders. You have put the blame on breeders for agencies not enforcing zoning laws and complaints to prohibit 'puppy mills', that were known to be in operation. Shame on you.

I oppose the ignorant regulations proposed for breeders, in neutering very young puppies. HSPCA can do it all they want, they need to for their clients. The health risks neutering so young, outnumber the benefits, in pure bred dogs.

I oppose the bill to license breeders and impose more fees on them.

i oppose random inspections by inspectors, that will just cost the taxpayer more \$. If they were doing their job checking out Waimanalo, we would not be wasting our time today. If people bought direct from a breeder, they would be the inspectors, seeing how their puppy was cared for. The bad breeders would not get any sales. Ilio Magazine educates on how to recognize a good breeder. This bill penalizes good breeders and will only encourage uneducated 'backyard breeding', as they will not have to suffer these regulations.

Sincerely,

Debi Cary

Castlecary Labradors

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**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 3:22 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** [cokuhi@msn.com](mailto:cokuhi@msn.com)  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Robert Allison  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [cokuhi@msn.com](mailto:cokuhi@msn.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**Cc:** tmtg44@hotmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Melanie Goulart  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [tmtg44@hotmail.com](mailto:tmtg44@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 3:49 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** jacquelyn\_leblanc@yahoo.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jacquelyn LeBlanc  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [jacquelyn\\_leblanc@yahoo.com](mailto:jacquelyn_leblanc@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Please support helping ensure standards of care for dogs. This bill will surely help.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 4:03 PM  
**To:** JDLEstimony  
**Cc:** zoe.nabarrete@gmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Zoe Nabarrete  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [zoe.nabarrete@gmail.com](mailto:zoe.nabarrete@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

We need enforcement of proper care for animals who are deprived of the companionship of humans.

Dogs who are used purely for breeding have a very empty and sad life. They should at least be physically healthy and clean.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 4:06 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** julienguyen1021@gmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Julie Nguyen  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [julienguyen1021@gmail.com](mailto:julienguyen1021@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Please help the animals and people of Hawaii by supporting this bill. Animal care is extremely important and standards should be looked at for those who own more than 10 dogs.



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 4:06 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** ttanimoto@hawaiianhumane.org  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Tasha  
Organization:  
E-mail: [ttanimoto@hawaiianhumane.org](mailto:ttanimoto@hawaiianhumane.org)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Thank you so much for considering this bill. Responsible guidelines are necessary to ensure the health of an animal. Please support this bill and help the animals and help the people of Hawaii.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 4:12 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** l.lum@hotmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Laura Lum  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [l.lum@hotmail.com](mailto:l.lum@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**Cc:** melinapattick@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Melina Patrick  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [melinapattick@yahoo.com](mailto:melinapattick@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

Thank you so much for considering this bill. It's important that we increase standards of care for all who have more than 10 dogs, which include housing requirements, exercise provisions and veterinary care. Please support this bill and help the animals and help the people of Hawaii.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 4:18 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** lauren\_boulanger@hotmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Lauren Boulanger  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [lauren\\_boulanger@hotmail.com](mailto:lauren_boulanger@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: caroline viola  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [wateraussie@aol.com](mailto:wateraussie@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 4:29 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** wateraussie@aol.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: caroline viola  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [wateraussie@aol.com](mailto:wateraussie@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

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Conference room: 016  
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Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: caroline viola  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [wateraussie@aol.com](mailto:wateraussie@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** palanibert@aol.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Frank Assante  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [palanibert@aol.com](mailto:palanibert@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 5:35 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** peeweeamy@holani.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Kathy Saiki  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [peeweeamy@holani.com](mailto:peeweeamy@holani.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:  
i support sb2492.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 5:38 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** vling12@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Vernon ling  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [vling12@hotmail.com](mailto:vling12@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 5:45 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** alohaainapottterystudio@live.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Angelika veach  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [alohaainapottterystudio@live.com](mailto:alohaainapottterystudio@live.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

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**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 5:46 PM  
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**Cc:** alohaainapottterystudio@live.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Angelika veach  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [alohaainapottterystudio@live.com](mailto:alohaainapottterystudio@live.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 6:25 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** jennylinmorris@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Jennifer Morris  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [jennylinmorris@hotmail.com](mailto:jennylinmorris@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

**Comments:**

Local puppy mills should not be tolerated. These rules protect the safety and well being of the animals.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 6:32 PM  
To: JDLTestimony  
Cc: sandrascar@aol.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB2492 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: Sandra Scarr  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [sandrascar@aol.com](mailto:sandrascar@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

I read HB 2492 that is coming up for a hearing tomorrow. I am not sure why responsible breeders would oppose this bill.

I have more than 10 dogs of breeding age, so the law, if passed, would apply to me. I should have no difficulty meeting the requirements of the bill for clean housing, enough space for dogs to exercise, clean food, and constant access to clean water. Why would one object to requirements for a humane and responsible kennel? Record-keeping is the much the same as that required by the American Kennel Club, so why object to that -- we do it anyway? I think breeders should keep track of where their puppies go and keep records for at least 3 years. Why object to that?

I would love to see more stringent regulations on puppy mills in Hawaii, on pet shops that buy puppies from puppy mills, and on backyard breeders who sell puppies by the side of the road. I understand why this bill targets larger breeding kennels, but additional measures are need to address other problems with dog breeding in Hawaii.

Aloha,

Sandra Scarr  
Aloha Labradors and  
Kona Poodles.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 6:58 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** gsmith3777@aol.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: Betty Smith  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [gsmith3777@aol.com](mailto:gsmith3777@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 7:06 PM  
**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** smithe067@hawaii.rr.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Eugene F. Smith  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [smithe067@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:smithe067@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:



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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 7:33 PM  
To: JDLTestimony  
Cc: kaiya\_k@hotmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Chelsea kentris  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [kaiya\\_k@hotmail.com](mailto:kaiya_k@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

Aloha,

I am a member of several Dog Clubs in Hawaii, Orchid Island Dog Fanciers Club, Hilo Obedience Training Club, Orchid Isle Dog Agility, Hawaii Herding Dog Association, and Shetland Sheepdog Club of Hawaii. I am also a Certified Canine Good Citizen Instructor and Evaluator for the American Kennel Club. Our clubs promote responsible dog ownership and breeding of Purebred dogs. As an individual and club member, I can attest to the fact that we take pride in our Purebred dogs, most of which are cared for and treated better than some families treat their human children and relatives. As a Purebred breeder, I spend a small fortune in the maintenance, medical care, and health of my dogs. Careful consideration is given to my breeding program. I only breed to improve my lines. I do not have more than two breedings a year, if at all. Thus far, in my total 25 years of Purebred dog ownership, I have had only three well planned breedings. All puppies from those breedings met your Bill standards, they 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 the new owners from abandoning the dog, re-selling on Craigslist or Kajiki or classified ads, I restricted them from turning the dog in to the Humane Society, or any other rescue organization, my contract requires the new owner to return the dog to me if at anytime IIN THE LIFE OF THE DOG, the new owner cannot care for and/or maintain to dog. I carefully evaluate new potential homes to assure that they meet my expectations for the care of my puppies, and they must be financially able to care for the dog. I do not sell to people who cannot afford to keep a dog up to my expectations.

I only sell Conformation Show dog potentials 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.

I am not opposed to LIMITED control of dog breeding and sales, as I have rescued dogs that irresponsible BACK YARD BREEDERS have put on the market. I have assisted in re-homing rescue dogs and know the problem is a serious one in Hawaii. However, to ban breeding and sales of ALL un-neutered and un-spayed dogs and puppies is unreasonable. Perhaps, licensing of reputable breeders and inspections of licensed kennels and records is a more reasonable approach. Perhaps limiting the number of breedings for a licensed kennel to a maximum of two litters per year, with Hawaii registration of the litter is also more reasonable...but to totally ban and restrict our breedings of Purebred dogs 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 Procedures...Please do not destroy the Show Dog Sport in Hawaii...do not let Hawaii become known for it's anti-dog legislation. Stop this bill as it is written and submit a revision that is reasonable and that promotes responsible dog ownership and Purebred Breeding Programs...Check out what the American Kennel Club, Eukanuba and Iams Company, and Purina Company promotes as responsible breeding programs.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**To:** JDLTestimony  
**Cc:** jordanhorie@gmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: JEAN AYRESMAN-HORIE  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [jordanhorie@gmail.com](mailto:jordanhorie@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 8:29 PM  
To: JDLTestimony  
Cc: denise320@hawaii.rr.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Denise S Honda  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [denise320@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:denise320@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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To: JDL Testimony  
Cc: kmartin@hawaiianhumane.org  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kevin Martin  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [kmartin@hawaiianhumane.org](mailto:kmartin@hawaiianhumane.org)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**Cc:** pikrik94@aol.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Pam Kutaka  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [pikrik94@aol.com](mailto:pikrik94@aol.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

# SUPPORT!

**SB2492**

**(PET BREEDERS STANDARDS)**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2012, 9:30 A.M.**  
**State Capitol, Rm. 016**

**COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY & LABOR (JDL)**

**Sen. Clayton Hee, Chair**

**Sen. Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair**

Dear Senators:

I support **SB2492** to a certain extent. A better bill would be the careful **Licensing/Registration/Taxation** of any person/corporation selling/breeding animals will be but perhaps that will come up later. For now, these guidelines are a start in overseeing a much abused area in the pet breeding industry. Mahalo~

**Anjie Pham**  
**Honolulu, HI**

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 8:54 PM  
To: JDLEstimony  
Cc: DaphneRhoades@yahoo.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB2492 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: Daphne Rhoades  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [DaphneRhoades@yahoo.com](mailto:DaphneRhoades@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

I believe there should be STRICTER laws and prison time against people who cage multiple animals in small enclosures for the sake of breeding them to fulfill their own greed. To have excessive animals with their organs in tact would say they're breeding the animals for profit. Breeding OR hoarding animals - BOTH SHOULD BE CONTROLLED AND PUNISHED MORE THAN THEY ARE CURRENTLY ARE! Some "farms" are to breed dogs for fighting! The animals have NO choice except to react as we would if we were caged, trained for fighting and almost always neglected. They fight to the death. How sad is that? It saddens me to think if it were the other way around and humans were mistreated like that-but hey we already have laws to protect US from that-what about the animals? I would like to be their voice because they're just as loving and as smart as humans-they just can't speak. Let us be their voice!



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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 9:10 PM  
To: JDLTestimony  
Cc: rachelhw@hawaii.edu  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: Yes  
Submitted by: Rachel  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [rachelhw@hawaii.edu](mailto:rachelhw@hawaii.edu)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

I support SB2492 and applaud the committee for hearing this important measure. Puppy mills are present in Hawaii and unregulated. The provisions in this bill are critical for protecting the defenseless animals subjected to repetitive breeding in deplorable circumstances. These animals are treated as a commodity with no regard for their physical, social or emotional needs. Simply requiring medical care, better housing and opportunities to exercise would greatly improve the quality of life for these unfortunate animals.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Rachel Huff-Wagenborg

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 9:53 PM  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: Yes  
Submitted by: Mary Markl  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [Ahimsamary99999@gmail.com](mailto:Ahimsamary99999@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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**Cc:** esmeralda.shelly@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB2492 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: shelly esmeralda  
Organization: Catfriends  
E-mail: [esmeralda.shelly@gmail.com](mailto:esmeralda.shelly@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 2/9/2012

Comments: