



## Hawaiian Humane Society

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To: Honorable Chair Clayton Hee  
Vice Chair Maile Shimabukuro and Committee Members

Committee on Judiciary and Labor  
February 29, 2012, 9:35 am, Room 016

Submitted by: **Natalie Lukashovsky**, Community Outreach Coordinator  
Hawaiian Humane Society,  
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Date: February 28, 2012

RE: **SB2494 Proposed SD1; Relating to Animal Cruelty- Dog Breeders**

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

The Hawaiian Humane Society supports the intent of SB 2494 SD 1 and specifically the regulation of number of dogs a large-scale breeder may possess as well as the minimum standards of care. We are, however, concerned with certain language in the proposed bill as well and the feasibility of carrying out proposed tasks:

- Although the Hawaiian Humane Society currently has the City and County of Honolulu animal control contract and currently investigates animal cruelty cases and violations, it is not equipped administratively to handle the licensing of dog breeders and imposing penalties upon violation of such licensing.
- Also, there has not been an increase in any funding on our City and County contract for animal control and the Society would not be able to administer licensing without further funding.
- We **strongly support** the passage of SB2492, where the Hawaiian Humane Society would have access to and be able to inspect breeding facilities to note cases of cruelty/ standards of care not being met; but will not be given the duty of licensing breeders or citing breeders for violation of missing records or clerical paperwork.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our comments and we hope you will consider our position on this matter.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Karen Hironaga  
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Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
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Organization: Individual  
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Submitted on: 2/28/2012

LATE TESTIMONY

Comments:

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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: 2/28/2012

LATE TESTIMONY

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Ryan Kawamura  
Organization: Individual  
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Submitted on: 2/28/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Michael Sibley  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [alohajms@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:alohajms@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/28/2012

Comments:  
I strongly oppose SB2494.

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jane Sibley  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [alohajms@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:alohajms@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/28/2012

Comments:  
I strongly oppose SB2494.

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jane Sibley  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [alohajms@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:alohajms@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 2/28/2012

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Comments:  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: **Oppose**  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jane Sibley  
Organization: Individual  
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Submitted on: 2/28/2012

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Pam Kutaka  
Organization: Individual  
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Submitted on: 2/28/2012

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Comments:

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**Cc:** hbc808@hotmail.com  
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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: **Oppose**  
Testifier will be present: No  
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Submitted on: 2/28/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Myra Tamanaha  
Organization: Hawaiian Terrier Association  
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Submitted on: 2/28/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Oppose  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Vicky D.  
Organization: Individual  
E-mail: [augustlily@live.com](mailto:augustlily@live.com)  
Submitted on: 2/28/2012

LATE TESTIMONY

Comments:  
I STRONGLY OPPOSE Bill SB2494!!!

## TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB2494

LATE TESTIMONY

Testimony from: Twylla-Dawn Steer,  
Voting resident of Kailua, 40+ years  
Hearing: Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor  
Date & Time: February 29, 2012 @ 9:35 am 016

### **I oppose this legislation, here's why:**

I know it's been a few years since I had occasion to look at the amendments to the US constitution, but did we lose 4 and 14 somewhere, or are we just going to ignore probable cause and due process?

Did someone rewrite Merriam Webster's dictionary, to redefine dog breeder to mean any one who owned 10 adult, intact dogs?

While I abhor animal cruelty of any stripe, I find this piece of legislation to be equally abhorrent. It should be deferred, resisted, and duly processed in the nearest shredder.

And who died and put the legislature in charge of determining who should make judgments about what animals, if any, should be bred?

It might be more 'profitable' to put teeth into the current animal cruelty laws, instead of confusing the identity of occasional hobby breeders with the former Waimanalo puppy mill operation.

The ILIO magazine publishes guidelines for responsible breeders that outline prudent, practical, responsible practices for breeders and puppy buyers.

The auditors report last year recommended alternatives to licensing breeders given lack of information on how much licensing and cost of monitoring would be.

While you may not like the sarcastic tone of this testimony, I suggest we have far greater concerns and major challenges to our economy, environment, and the freedoms we take for granted, that need your attention.

### Affiliations:

Secretary, Hawaiian Kennel Club, AKC member club  
President, Hawaiian Hound Association, AKC licensed limited breed club  
Obedience Training Club of Hawaii, AKC member club  
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