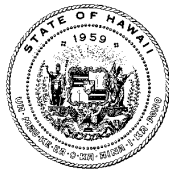


SB2994

Relating to State Libraries

Requires the state librarian to issue licenses, revocable permits, concessions, or rights of entry, for a discretionary periods, to any 501(c)(3) corporation that exists for the purpose of supporting a library within the Hawaii State Public Library System.

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Senate Committee on Education
Wednesday, February 15, 2012
State Capitol, Room 225

SB 2994 – Relating to State Libraries

The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) is in strong opposition to SB 2994.

The Friends of the Library of Hawaii, as HSPLS' 501 (c) (3) partner, is an invaluable support group for the Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS), raising funds exclusively for the support of Hawaii's public libraries statewide, including providing funds and sponsors for our statewide Summer Reading Programs, which last summer were our most successful ever, with more than 25,000 participants reading nearly 285,000 books in just five weeks; making discretionary funds available for every library, providing Continuing Education and Travel Grant funding for staff to attend professional development programs and conferences both in Hawaii and on the mainland, awarding scholarships for graduate students in the Library and Information Science program at the University of Hawaii, and most recently guaranteeing the matching funds for the \$890,000 Bill & Melinda Gates Online Opportunity Hardware Grant, which provided for 314 computers in 43 qualifying libraries, and which, when leveraged with federal BTOP funds will provide a total of 768 new public access computers in our libraries across the state. FLH also provides essential funding for all

HSPLS libraries, while receiving no funds from their affiliate organizations in the branches.

Over the years, FLH has developed a network of affiliate organizations in branch libraries, providing them with legal, fiscal and program advice, support and direction. To date, 35 libraries have established an FLH affiliated group, and five more are in the process of becoming affiliated. The state librarian works with and through the FLH to ensure that affiliate organizations are in compliance with their fiduciary, legal and ethical responsibilities. FLH also monitors the status of each group to make sure they file all the required state and federal documents necessary to maintain their non-profit status, and through their annual review of the affiliates' financial reports there is accountability as to monies raised on library property. FLH works with affiliates to ensure that affiliate activities enhance and further the mission of HSPLS, and the Friends Board of Directors and Board of Trustees include legal and financial experts who are able to advise and assist the affiliates and their boards. HSPLS does not have staff attorneys, nor do we have the administrative capacity to ensure compliance by an essentially limitless number of organizations claiming to be friends of their respective libraries. Without this affiliate relationship, ensuring compliance by multiple organizations, boards and board members would be an overwhelming burden on the state librarian.

The Boards of these groups, taken as a whole, have a relatively high turnover rate. FLH is able to inform, assist and advise new members especially through their annual

affiliates' conferences; this year's conference is scheduled for Feb. 24, the day after the announcement of HSPLS staff members who have earned the FLH Librarian of the Year and Excellence in Service Awards. This conference provides direction for new board members, and keeps the affiliates on the right track, legally and fiscally.

SB 2994 states the state librarian shall authorize any tax-exempt non-profit organization recognized by the IRS whose primary purpose is the support of any library within the Hawaii State Public Library System, which could lead to multiple support groups for the same library. Prior to the Memorandum of Understanding between HSPLS and FLH, this is a situation that has occurred several times and has led to acrimony, ill-will and bitterness in the community, and has put branch library staff in difficult and precarious positions.

The FLH and HSPLS have developed an efficient, effective relationship which supports HSPLS and its programs and services, and benefits both our libraries and the FLH branch affiliates. Micromanaging this relationship and damaging its essential structure will not better serve the people of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

To: Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senate Committee on Education

From: Byrde Cestare, Executive Director, Friends of the Library of Hawai'i
Subject: SB2994
Date: February 13, 2012

Friends of the Library of Hawai'i (FLH) opposes SB #2994 for the following reasons:

1. If the law is changed, the State Librarian would have to enter into an MOU for each non-profit that is granted the rights FLH has now. This would add an additional burden on the State Librarian and the Attorney General's office for review and approval of each such request.
2. Currently, FLH negotiates the statewide contracts for copier machines and other enterprise activities on HSPLS property, ensuring the most favorable contract with the greatest return for the libraries. SB2994 would decentralize this process.
3. This bill would have a negative impact on the current system of FLH Affiliates which relieves HSPLS of the challenge of managing separate groups representing each branch in the state. To date, 35 libraries are represented by an FLH Affiliate. Five more groups are in the process of becoming an affiliate. Our goal is to have an FLH Affiliate at each library. We believe in the grassroots effort of communities to collaboratively work with their local library branch.

Some highlights of the FLH Affiliates Program include:

- ❖ FLH Affiliates follow a standardized set of guidelines.
- ❖ With the FLH Affiliate network, there is accountability as to monies raised on library property. This is done through annual financial reports submitted to FLH for review.
- ❖ FLH is the resource for affiliates regarding taxes, legal issues, and library relationships. This allows HSPLS staff more time for customer service.
- ❖ FLH monitors the status of each group to make sure they file all the necessary state and federal documents annually to maintain their non-profit status.
- ❖ The FLH statewide affiliate network aligns with the statewide library system.
- ❖ FLH and its affiliates, as the non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization, raise funds exclusively for the benefit of Hawai'i's public libraries.
- ❖ FLH encourages each affiliate to fundraise for their library branch. FLH receives no money from the affiliates. Money raised on a local level STAYS at the local level.
- ❖ FLH and its Affiliates advocate for Hawai'i's public libraries.

- ❖ FLH will hold its annual Affiliates Conference on Friday, February 24. FLH pays for all our neighbor island affiliates to come to Oahu for the day. We also invite any library support groups to attend this conference.

Passage of this bill would result in the lack of a system in place to monitor the non-profits who request use of library property, other than the already stretched HSPLS staff, and no system of accountability that the monies raised would revert to the libraries. In short, it would create chaos where an efficient system is in place. It would also burden the staff and negatively impact services at the library branches.

Thank you for allowing me to voice the Friends of the Library of Hawai'i's opposition to SB2994.

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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Nainoa Mau
Organization: Friends of the Library of Hawaii
E-mail: nainoammau@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/14/2012

I am opposed to the amended bill put forth in SB2994. The library system is severely underfunded and understaffed. Adding the burden of managing multiple fundraising efforts and groups on library property, where the funds raised may not even benefit the library or the library system does not make efficient or effective use of current library staff time.

Administratively, HSPLS will be required to keep track of all fundraising by numerous groups, the various monies held for each of 50 public libraries, requesting the money from those various groups for library needs, the possibility of competing groups at 50 public libraries, ensuring the valid non-profit status, GET information, and current filings of every group that wishes to use library property, and much more. HSPLS does not currently have these capabilities. Should they? How will they in their current situation? As it stands, Friends of the Library of Hawai'i (FLH) - as the primary non-profit partner of the Hawai'i State Public Library System since 1879 (FLH secured the funding to build the first public library in Hawai'i, opened in 1913) - is tasked with managing the dedicated groups (Affiliates) that raise money on library property for a specific branch library, thereby providing program and other funding at that branch. There is no question of where the money will go. Ethically, money raised in support of a given cause must be used for that cause. Funds raised for a library branch should go to that library branch, especially in these tough economic times.

Other non-profits and groups may use library facilities for meetings, programs, etc. but they may not fundraise on the property. This protects the library system in many ways and helps to ensure that the library has a dedicated support group whose incontrovertible mission is to support public libraries and specifically that branch.

Testimony opposing Senate Bill #2994

As a multi term president of the Friends of the Libraries, Kona, (F.O.L.K.) and as a member of this organization for over 10 years, I feel I can speak to the idea of asking the State Librarian to become involved in issuing a license for a 501 c 3 to be able to use the public library facilities. We, members of F.O.L.K., have harmoniously coexisted and supported the West Hawaii branches since 1988. We answer to the on site librarians, create our fund raisers with their approval, and channel all our funds back into our local libraries according to our by laws. We function under the umbrella of FOLH, but we have independent operations. In this past year, our annual statement shows that our gross income was \$32,877. Expenses totaled \$23,423.80. This entailed a huge amount of work, but all proceeds benefitted our local branches. Profits are earmarked for future projects. I cannot imagine how or why we would expend such great efforts if we did not have full power over the monies raised by our volunteers. It also seems very strange to imagine outsider groups that are not necessarily even dedicated to the libraries, asking to use the library as a venue for a fund raiser. We already have a very clear and functioning system in place. This bill sounds as if a distant State Librarian might grant a permit which might reduce the efficacy of our organization. To burden the state librarian with deciding which group should be allowed to use which library on which days is illogical. This is something that should be handled locally. To further indicate that our proceeds might then become state library funds, would be an accountant's nightmare and is fundamentally wrong. I believe no change is required. We are getting along very well with our local grassroots organization and our local librarians. We already have a fully functional affiliates system in place which works well and is exclusively for the libraries.

I oppose this bill.

Thank you for your attention.

Pamela Wang, President, F.O.L.K.

Jeannine Johnson, Legislative Sub-Committee Chair

Kuli'ou'ou / Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board #2

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February 11, 2012

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair

Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

Re: [SB2994](#) Relating to State Libraries

[Hrg](#): Monday, February 13, 2012 at 3:00 pm in Conf. Room 224

Aloha mai,

Under Section 2-14-125 of the Neighborhood Board Plan, I have been appointed as a Delegate with responsibilities to represent the **Kuli'ou'ou / Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board #2** on matters approved by the Board. As Committee Chair of the **Kuli'ou'ou / Kalani Iki Neighborhood Board #2** Legislative Sub-Committee, I am pleased to inform you **Neighborhood Board #2** supports SB2994 which requires the state librarian to issue licenses, revocable permits, concessions, or rights of entry, for a discretionary period, to any 501(c)(3) corporation that exists for the purpose of supporting a library within the Hawaii State Public Library System.. **Neighborhood Board #2** represents over 6,000 households, with a population of almost 20,000 people (State of Hawaii Data Book 2002) in East Honolulu.

'Āina Haina Public Library opened its doors to the public on October 18, 1962 with 8,000 books, replacing bookmobile service to the area. Currently, the 11,068-square foot facility has over 68,000 books, periodicals, and audiovisuals, and has many programs for people of all ages are held throughout the year, including reading with Ronald McDonald, Slam Poetry contests, Holiday crafts, health and college fairs, seminars, music and stage programs.

The Friends of the 'Āina Haina Library, established in the early 1960s, is a volunteer non-profit organization. The Friends organize a very popular book sale each year which has a wide assortment of books, videos, DVDs, and CDs are available at modest prices. Smaller book sales are occasionally organized at other times during the year and a small on-going book sale is available daily. The Friends also offer an online book sale through Amazon's used book system. The Friends provide support for on-going and special library programs; summer reading programs for all ages; events and activities for children, teens, adults, and senior citizens; and additional funding for books, media, and other resources.

Neighborhood Board #2 has held its monthly meeting in the 'Āina Haina Library's meeting room for many years. At its February 2, 2012, meeting, a spokesperson for The Friends explained the purpose of SB2994 and requested support so that they can

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continue to support 'Āina Haina Library. The members of **Neighborhood Board #2** were in agreement that allowing The Friends to continue to support the 'Āina Haina Library with its popular sales was in the best interests of our community.

Your support of SB2994 is respectfully requested.

'O au iho nō me ke aloha,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeannine Johnson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jeannine Johnson, Legislative Sub-Committee Chair

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To: Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senate Committee on Education

From: Susan Li

Subject: Testimony in Opposition to SB 2994

Date: February 13, 2012

I am a member of the Friends of the Library of Hawai'i (FLH) and submit this testimony in opposition to SB 2994. The bill is unnecessary and imposes burdens on the State Librarian and the Attorney General's Office with no corresponding benefit to the public or to Hawaii's libraries. In fact, the bill would take a system that is currently working to the benefit of Hawaii's library patrons, and would substitute a system that lacks accountability and enables fundraising on library premises without requiring that the funds be used to support Hawaii's public libraries.

Please note the following problems with SB 2994:

1. Under this bill, the State Librarian would have to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for each non-profit that is granted the rights currently granted to one centralized organization (FLH). This would add an additional burden on the State Librarian and the Attorney General's office for review and approval of each such request.
2. Currently, FLH negotiates the statewide contracts for copier machines and other enterprise activities on Hawaii State Public Library System property; this collective bargaining power ensures the most favorable contract with the greatest return for the libraries. SB 2994 would decentralize this process and Hawaii's library system would lose the ability to negotiate statewide benefits for all libraries.
3. This bill would have a negative impact on the current system of FLH Affiliates which relieves HSPLS of the challenge of managing separate groups representing each branch in the state.
4. Passage of this bill would eliminate the current system of accountability that ensures that funds raised in the libraries support those libraries. For example, an organization could use a library's premises to raise money but then use that money for any purpose. Libraries would be hard-pressed to monitor non-profits who request use of library property.

For the foregoing reasons, I respectfully ask that SB 2994 be held.

To: Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senate Committee on Education

From:

Subject: SB2994

Date: February 13, 2012

Friends of the Library of Hawai'i (FLH) opposes SB #2994 for the following reasons:

1. If the law is changed, the State Librarian would have to enter into an MOU for each non-profit that is granted the rights FLH has now. This would add an additional burden on the State Librarian and the Attorney General's office for review and approval of each such request.
2. Currently, FLH negotiates the statewide contracts for copier machines and other enterprise activities on HSPLS property, ensuring the most favorable contract with the greatest return for the libraries. SB2994 would decentralize this process.
3. This bill would have a negative impact on the current system of FLH Affiliates which relieves HSPLS of the challenge of managing separate groups representing each branch in the state.

Passage of this bill would result in the lack of a system in place to monitor the non-profits who request use of library property, and no system of accountability that the monies raised would revert to the libraries.

Thank you for allowing me to voice my opposition to SB2994.

Jane Dickson

TO: Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair, and Members
Senate Committee on Education
FROM: Jo Ann Schindler, Former Hawaii State Librarian
SUBJECT: **Senate Bill 2994**
DATE: February 12, 2012

Although Senate Bill 2994 expresses welcome support for public libraries, I would like to voice my concerns and opposition to the bill itself.

The existing relationship between the Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) and the Friends of the Library of Hawaii (Friends) is strong and has developed over many years. The Friends not only provide much needed funding and other assistance to the public libraries, but the organization also encourages local library support groups to become affiliates. The Friends make available training and help to these affiliates, including tax assistance for these non-profit entities and suggested charter and other organizational templates. Rather than having support groups at each of the 50 public libraries reinvent the wheel, the Friends have shared with affiliate groups best practices and information about operating within the rules and guidelines of both the HSPLS and other government agencies. The Friends provide this service to its affiliates at no cost.

I recommend against the changes proposed in SB 2994 to “require the state librarian to issue licenses, revocable permits, concessions, or rights of entry, for a discretionary period, to any 501(c)(3) corporation that exists for the purpose of supporting a library within the Hawaii State Public Library System.” Not all such organizations may be fully aware of the rules and practices under which HSPLS must operate. Please allow the Friends of the Library of Hawaii to continue to support the public libraries at a statewide level and to continue to provide ongoing training and advisory services to its affiliate members.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Testimony on SB2994

My name is Janet Mason, and I live in Niu Valley. I have been a patron of Aina Haina library for more than 30 years, and have received excellent service from this branch. I am also an active volunteer with Friends of the Library of Hawaii.

I strongly oppose this bill because it is unnecessary to have more than one nonprofit agency affiliated with the State Library system. The more 501 c (3) organizations the State Librarian and employees must collaborate with, the higher the administrative cost to the State Library system.

I have been a money and in-kind donor to both Friends of Aina Haina library and Friends of the Library of Hawaii. Both organizations have virtually the same mission, and most libraries throughout the State have already affiliated with the Friends of the Library of Hawaii.

Aina Haina Friends have benefited from generous donations to this branch, but there is no requirement that such affiliates at local branches place these funds under management by the larger Friends of the Library of Hawaii. However, the Statewide Friends organization does monitor its affiliates to make sure that all required taxes are paid and other regulations relevant to a nonprofit operation are followed.

By virtue of having more volunteer and staff resources the statewide Friends organization has been able to leverage resources for all libraries in Hawaii, including Aina Haina Library, which greatly benefits from programs paid for by donations to the Statewide Friends. I am very hopeful that the Aina Haina library will soon affiliate with Friends of the Library of Hawaii, so that they can participate more actively in the an organization that has a national reputation in supporting public libraries.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 5:00 PM
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Subject: Testimony for SB2994 on 2/15/2012 1:20:00 PM

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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Cynthia Lee
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Submitted on: 2/13/2012

Comments:

I along with Friends of the Library of Hawaii oppose SB 2994 for the following reasons:

- 1.If the law is changed, the State Librarian would have to enter into a MOU for each non-profit that is granted the rights FLH has now which would be an additional burden on the State Librarian and the Attorney General's office.
- 2.Currently FLH negotiates statewide contracts for copier machines & other enterprise activities on HSPLS property ensuring the most favorable contract with the greatest return for the libraries. SB 2994 would decentralize this process.
- 3.SB 2994 would have a negative impact on the current system of FLH Affiliates which relieves HSPLS of the challenge of managing separate groups representing each library branch in the state.

Therefore passage of this bill would result in a lack of a system to monitor non-profits who request use of library property & no system of accountability that monies raised would revert to the libraries. It would create chaos where an efficient system is currently in place. It would also burden the staff and negatively impact services at library branches.

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 8:40 PM
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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Jacqueline Wright
Organization: Individual
E-mail: jackiehawaii@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 2/13/2012

Comments:

I am opposed to SB 2994. Some possible ramifications include:

1. More than one non-profit could operate at any library location.
2. A group could move from library to library to do fundraising.
3. Monies raised wouldn't necessarily stay with the branch where the fundraiser was held.
4. The money raised could be used for several purposes; i.e., 51% to the library and 49% to another group.
5. Who will monitor this?

This is an ill conceived Bill with far-reaching ramifications for the well being of our Public Library System and some of its funding sources.

I urge you to stop this Bill now.

Mahalo,

Jacqueline Wright

Erin Conner

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Sent: Monday, February 13, 2012 8:48 PM
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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Claudia Ziroli Coyl
Organization:
E-mail: cziroli@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 2/13/2012

Comments:

As President of the Friends of Mountain View Library on Hawai`i Island. I oppose Senate Bill #2994. As it appears, monies raised by library users in that community could and will be used for purposes other than those agreed upon by the community library and it's Library Friends affiliate. Community members here want their fundraised monies to go to improve OUR community/school library and be used at the descretion of the members and library staff in a way that reflects OUR community and improves service to our school and library patrons. This bill is a money grab which would be using local library 'Friends Affiliate' funds to be administrated and monitored by whom for what purpose????? This is not good legislation! We stand opposed. Mahalo

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 9:47 AM
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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Rosemary I. Chong
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Submitted on: 2/14/2012

Comments:

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 10:30 AM
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Subject: Testimony for SB2994 on 2/15/2012 1:20:00 PM

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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Earline Funakoshi
Organization: Friends of the Library of Hawaii
E-mail: disamif@gmail.com
Submitted on: 2/14/2012

Comments:

As a retired public librarian with 31 years of state service, I oppose SB#2994 in the interest of public service. Staff time needed to work with multiple non-profit requests and activities would negatively impact basic public library services. Essential services include reference and reader's advisory, computer assistance especially to seniors, recreational and information programs for all ages, and collection development from materials selection and purchasing to processing and presentation.

Mahalo for the opportunity to input.

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 10:37 AM
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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Mae Rosen
Organization: Individual
E-mail: maerosen@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 2/14/2012

Comments:

Dear Senators Tokuda and Kidani,

As an avid supporter and library user in the Aiea community, I oppose SB 2994.

Mahalo,
Mae Rosen

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 11:24 PM
To: EDU Testimony
Cc: jhimom@aol.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2994 on 2/15/2012 1:20:00 PM

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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Barbara Isley
Organization: Individual
E-mail: jhimom@aol.com
Submitted on: 2/14/2012

Comments:

The system is already overloaded with unnecessary bureaucratic impediments to the sensible operation of our libraries. As a frequent user of our local library and a 5 year officer of our Friends of the Library group I have frequently witnessed the anger and frustration having to deal with governmental bureaucracy has caused library employees. To now attempt to subject non-profit support groups to this system , (whose contributions are ever more crucial because of the irresponsible, wasteful decisions made by government officials) is not just foolish but it is nonsensical. Our activities are, logically, co-ordinated with the local Head Librarian in an efficient, co-operative manner. FLH has never imposed themselves on the operation of our local group nor have they attempted in any way to exert an influence on how we raise funds or spend them. There is absolutely no need for what this bill proposes and its imposition would have only a detrimental effect.

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 8:48 PM
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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Ann M. Fontes
Organization: Individual
E-mail: afontes@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 2/14/2012

Comments:

I oppose SB 2994 because presently Friends of the Library Affiliates fundraise to support their local library. This bill opens up the possibility that funds raised at a library may be used to benefit another library. More than one nonprofit group may fundraise at the same library. Who will monitor?

To: **Senator Jill N. Tokuda,
Chair Senate Committee on Education**

From: Allene Suemori, President, Friends of the Library

Subject: **SB2994** Date: February 14, 2012

Thank you for allowing me to submit this testimony in opposition to SB 2994.

The Friends of the Library of Hawai'i (FLH) was established in 1938 and its mission is to support the Hawaii State Library and its 50 Branches. FLH supports HSPLS by managing and monitoring all 35 [soon to be 40] affiliates to assure that they are in compliance with the Office of the Attorney General and that their fundraising focuses on the branches they support.

FLH opposes SB #2994 because this bill would create a chaotic system without accountability to the HSPLS that would challenge the already burdened HSPLS library staff. The bill proposes to replace an efficient system that provides accountability and assures that funds raised on Library property revert to the Library. Most importantly, this bill has no provision for any system of accountability or monitoring.

FLH opposes the bill because

1. **Burdensome:** If the law is changed, the State Librarian would need to enter into an MOU for each and every non-profit that is granted the rights FLH has now. Clearly this system would add an additional burden on the State Librarian and his staff and the Attorney General's office which would need to review and approve of each such request.
2. **Lacks economy of scale:** Currently, FLH negotiates the statewide contracts for copier machines and other enterprise activities on HSPLS property, ensuring the most favorable contract with the greatest return for the libraries. Economy of scale is essential. The library is already down 124 staff persons. SB2994 would decentralize this process requiring more staff work where there are no staff to cover the decentralized system. The bill would exacerbate an already stressed system.
3. **Affiliate Management:** This bill would negatively affect the current system of FLH Affiliates which relieves HSPLS of the challenge of managing the 35 [soon to be 40] separate groups representing each branch in the state.

This bill could cause a lack of accountability such as

More than one non-profit could operate at any one library branch.
Funds raised would not necessarily need to stay with the branch were the

fundraiser was held.

The funds raised could be raised for many purposes: 20% for the library, 20 % for one non-profit group, 60% for another profit group.

There would be no monitoring [Self-monitoring is not an option].

We believe that the current proposal overlooks the challenges of the Hawaii State Library system and does not assure that the funds raised stay within the Library system. It fails to focus on the need for efficiency, the challenges of gross understaffing, and the need for oversight, accountability and monitoring. For those reasons we oppose the passage of this bill.

Thank you for allowing me to submit this testimony in opposition to SB 2994.
Thank you again. .

Erin Conner

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Conference room: 225
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: catherine k. gold
Organization: Individual
E-mail: cathy3@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 2/14/2012

Comments:

Aloha. My name is Catherine Gold and I strongly support SB2994. I feel a great sense of pride and appreciation knowing there are individuals devoted to supporting the needs of our neighborhood library. These folks live in the communities and are committed to ensuring the libraries need are met through funds secured by their book sales. There is also a camaraderie between the library staff and volunteers and they work together harmoniously for the benefit of the library. To lose all of this would be devastating to the libraries, as well as the community. I ask you to continue to support the good work that they have been doing for 50 years. As the saying goes, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it." Mahalo for your consideration and I respectfully ask for your support of SB2994.

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TO: Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice-Chair
Members of the Senate Education Committee: Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland, Senator Clarence Nishihara, Senator Sam Slom, Senator Brian Taniguchi

FROM: Sharon Nagasako

DATE: Wednesday, February 15, 2012, 1:20 p.m.

RE: TESTIMONY SUPPORTING SB2994, Relating to State Libraries
Senate Education Committee Hearing Room 225

Good afternoon, Senator Tokuda, Senator Kidani, and Senate Education Committee members.

My name is Sharon Nagasako, and I thank you for the privilege to speak in support of SB2994. For the past 20 years I have been a member of the Friends of the Aina Haina Public Library, an all-volunteer organization that was established in 1962. This year, as we look forward to celebrating our 50th anniversary in October, we also reflect back and note how our group came into being, with the Aina Haina branch librarian asking a few community members to start a book sale table to earn money for the library. Over the past five decades, that sale table has evolved into the highly popular annual two-day book sale, the creative Topical Tuesday afternoon sales, and the daily ongoing sales that require constant replenishing. With thanks to the many people both from our community and from as far away as Waianae who patronize our sales, our Friends group was able to provide the Aina Haina Library with \$25,000 in funding over the past two years.

While most people would not tackle the laborious task of sorting through thousands of donated dusty, bug-infested books searching for saleable materials, our volunteers find enjoyment and great satisfaction in their hours of unpaid work knowing that their efforts are going to a worthy cause. For many years, our operation hummed along nicely until July, 2010 when we were abruptly and unexpectedly informed by the Friends of the Library of Hawaii Affiliates Committee that our book sales were illegal because they were being held on state property. (The same rule applies to any non-affiliate.)

As we understood it, the Hawaii State Library System and the Big Friends, had teamed up to create an "Memorandum of Understanding" (MOU) giving the Big Friends and its affiliates "...the exclusive right to any enterprise activity on Public Libraries property." This meant that unless we signed the contract to become a Big Friends affiliate, our Aina Haina Friends group would not be allowed to hold its book sales at the Aina Haina Library.

Last year, we asked the State Librarian for either a waiver, an MOU, or to exercise the "grandfather clause," any of which would enable us to continue our sales legally on state grounds, but we were denied. It is indeed very disheartening when the government is allowed to favor one group over another, especially when both parties are basically doing the same sort of work. In our case, both are raising money for the sole purpose of supporting a local public library. We believe that the State Librarian has the authority to issue a waiver, create an MOU with the Aina Haina Friends, or to work toward some kind of agreement that would be beneficial to those involved.

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We find it puzzling that the State Librarian and the head of the Big Friends have both commented that our 501(c)(3) group is doing an exemplary job of running an efficient operation all on our own, and yet, they are aggressively pushing us to become part of their centralized system. In a recent meeting with the Big Friends, we received a list of benefits that its affiliates will receive upon joining. And aside from being allowed access to library property for our book sales, there are no other benefits or compelling reasons that would cause us to give up our fifty years of independence to consider affiliate status with the Big Friends at this time.

At the very least, every library Friends group should be allowed the freedom to decide, without being coerced, whether or not it will choose to become part of the Big Friends organization. It will be a sad day when our only choice is the one the Big Friends makes for us. As the author George Eliot once said, "The strongest principle of growth lies in the human choice." The Aina Haina Friends have thrived in its independence for 50 years, and it is our desire to continue this growth for at least another fifty.

Thank you for your consideration of SB2994. Your support of this bill will give all public library friends groups in Hawaii the freedom to individually choose the form of governance that will most effectively meet the needs of its group as well as the community it serves.

Respectfully submitted,

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To: Senator Jill Tokuda, Chairman
Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice-Chairman
Members of the Senate Education Committee
From: Sarah Grosjean
Date: February 15, 2012
Re: Testimony Supporting SB 2994, Relating to State Libraries

Senator Tokuda, Senator Kidani, and Members of the Senate Education Committee,

Thank you very much for giving the public the opportunity to voice their opinions on SB 2994. I strongly support SB 2994, which would allow non-profit organizations, whose primary purpose is to support a library within the Hawaii State Public Library System, to operate on state property without losing their autonomy to the “Big Friends.”

I grew up in Aina Haina, and greatly benefited from the Aina Haina Public Library, one of the few Oahu libraries still supported by an independent volunteer base. They offer excellent resources, such as newly released educational DVDs, books, and magazines, much of which is paid for by the Friends' hard work. In addition, their well-organized book sales were one of the highlights of our family's year – a time, when we could purchase affordable books to supplement our schooling.

It would be tragic to see these benefits end, if local groups of library volunteers were forced to choose between operating independently or closing down. In today's difficult economy, it is becoming increasingly difficult for many to afford the “luxury” of books, and families are depending more and more on their local libraries to fill that need.

I urge you to vote, “yes,” on SB 2994, so Hawaii's next generation of keiki will be provided the same (and, possibly even better!) access to the world of books, as I was! Thank you!

To: Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
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From: Jerri Young

Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2012, 1:20 p.m.

Re: Testimony Supporting SB 2994, Relating to State Libraries

Good afternoon, Senator Tokuda, Senator Kidani, and members of the Education Committee. My name is Jerri Young, and I'm a volunteer with the Friends of the Aina Haina Public Library. As a first-timer to this process, it's a real honor and a privilege to see and experience firsthand our government at work. Thank you for the opportunity to speak in support of SB 2994.

I'd like to first start out by saying that we do realize our issue is not an earth-shattering one. There are so many larger issues out there, so many problems between the nations, within our country, in our own state, and even on our island. And amidst all of these greater problems exists our little library, the Aina Haina Public Library, with its Friends group, and the community ... a perfect microcosm that works. The community donates their unwanted books and media to the library. The Friends clean and sort these donations, then conduct sales at the library to sell these items. The community enjoys these sales tremendously, since it gives them a chance to snag a great deal on books and media, and they get to meet with friends and neighbors in a fun atmosphere.

The money made from these sales goes straight back to the library. The library is able to purchase such things as more books and media for the collection, provide great incentives for the Summer Reading Program for children, do much-needed carpet cleaning, and also hold many varied and well-attended programs such as the dementia program for seniors, craft projects for all ages, and the very popular Mad Science for Kids. All of these serve to benefit the community. So there is this wonderful cycle of the community giving to the library, and the library giving to the community, with the Friends in the center as the engine that helps drive or enhance this synergistic circle.

The Friends of the Aina Haina Public Library is a tax-exempt nonprofit corporation recognized by the IRS under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Our Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation are in place, and we follow all state and federal laws such as paying our GE taxes, filing our 990-N, and filing with the DCCA every year. We

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report on financial and activity matters at our Board meetings regularly, and we have our own system of checks and balances to keep everything honest and aboveboard.

In 2010, after almost 50 years of countless volunteer hours spent cleaning, sorting, hauling, and selling books to successfully support our library, we've been told that a Memorandum of Understanding has been drawn up ordering us to either become affiliates, or to get out and sell your books elsewhere, because the FLH and its affiliates have the Exclusive Right to sell on State property. You're no longer allowed to sell books at the library to support your library, unless you become an affiliate with the FLH. This is not right. It doesn't sound right and it doesn't feel right for one reason only ... because it is not right. We have to wonder about an organization that on one hand claims to be caring and helpful, and on the other hand gives an ultimatum that it's either our way or the highway. That means in our case, either we become an affiliate, or we will be penalized. We can no longer continue supporting our library on our library's property.

We respectfully request that this Education Committee support SB 2994 as is, or in a revised form. Or, in the alternative, to assist us in being granted a waiver from the current MOU.

Short of that, however, we do have another idea for your consideration. Please understand that we do believe it is a good thing to have all of the library friends groups working together as a network and to be counted as among the affiliates in the FLH's drive to have a statewide network of support for the libraries. We believe in the importance of the role that libraries play in the communities and in the educational system. So with all of these strong beliefs and goals in common, we believe a resolution can be reached with the FLH.

Although it's more convenient and easy to take a one-size-fits-all approach, we submit that, life being what it is, sometimes that One Size does not fit. That One Size could be too small, too large, or simply not right, and so therefore alterations or changes need to be made.

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Friends groups who have their own 501(c)(3) are not covered under the FLH 501(c)(3) umbrella. Each 501(c)(3) must comply with the IRS rules and regulations separately in order to maintain their tax-exempt status and are, therefore, separate entities. Friends groups who are tax-exempt nonprofit corporations recognized by the IRS under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, whose sole purpose is the support of any library within the Hawaii State Public Library System, could be classified as a Special or Independent Affiliate.

However the groups are labeled, these 501(c)(3) Friends groups would be counted among the affiliates with the FLH, but would remain separate entities. They would have a separate Independent Affiliate Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), entered into with the State Librarian, which would grant the Independent Affiliate the right to fundraise on library property, but would require the Independent Affiliate to be responsible for their own oversight, their own reporting requirements, and their own state and federal filings and obligations required by law. A one-size-fits-all approach does not work here, and there could easily be more than one classification of an Affiliate status.

We do respectfully request your support of SB 2994. We're all in this together, giving of our time and our hearts in supporting our libraries and the positive impact they provide in all aspects of our lives. We believe a resolution can be reached to satisfy both the FLH's drive to have a statewide affiliate network, and the need of 501(c)(3) Friends groups to remain separate entities.

In closing, I'd like to thank Senator Tokuda, Senator Kidani, and this Education Committee for granting us this hearing, and for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this measure.

Respectfully submitted,


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TO: Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Education Committee: Senator Sam Slom, Senator
Suzanne-Chun Oakland, Senator Clarence Nishihara, Senator Brian Taniguchi

FROM: Glen P. Young

SUBJECT: **Testimony in SUPPORT of SB 2994 – Relating to State Libraries**

DATE: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 1:20 p.m.

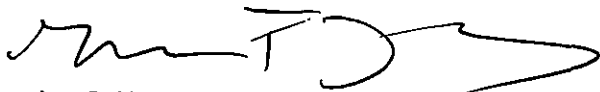
Good afternoon Senator Tokuda, Senator Kidani and Members of the Senate Education Committee.

My name is Glen Young, and I am one of the many patrons of the Aina Haina Public Library. Thank you for allowing me to testify today in support of SB 2994.

In these trying economic times and budget cutbacks in library and educational services, community-based charitable organizations such as the Friends of the Aina Haina Public Library are vital to the support of our neighborhood libraries. The proceeds these friends groups receive from book sales held on library property are given back to supplement and enhance that library. Our government as well as the community benefit greatly from the efforts of these groups who contribute to the sustainability of our public library system.

Please support SB 2994, and allow all qualified library friends groups to sell their books on state property and continue making a positive impact for the children and people of Hawaii.

Respectfully submitted,



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To: Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice-Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Education
From: Lisa Yoshimura
Date: February 15, 2012
Re: Testimony Supporting SB 2994, Relating to State Libraries

Senator Tokuda, Senator Kidani, and Members of the Senate Committee on Education,

Thank you for hearing SB 2994. And, my special appreciation to Senator Slom for introducing the bill. I have been a resident of Aina Haina for over fifty years and am very grateful to have the Aina Haina Public Library, which is so well-maintained and furnished, within walking distance of my home.

Many of the resources that the Aina Haina Library offers would not be possible without the efforts of our local group of Friends, who contribute significant amounts of money, through their book sale proceeds. And, I was distressed that, under the current Hawaii Statutes, the Aina Haina Friends will be forced to choose between joining the "Big Friends" or ceasing their sales on state property.

It would be a great disservice to our community to see the Aina Haina Friends disbanded, especially at a time when our state is struggling to increase revenue. As one of the few independent library volunteer groups remaining, the Aina Haina Friends' innovative spirit should be applauded rather than squelched.

I urge you to vote "yes" on SB 2994 to protect the efforts of volunteer groups such as the Aina Haina Friends of the Library, who help defray the operating costs of Hawaii's libraries. Thank you!

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TO: Senator Jill Tokuda

Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

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FROM: Pattie Black

SUBJECT: Testimony in support of SB 2994, Relating to State Libraries

Hearing date: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 1:20 p.m.

My name is Pattie Black. Thank you for allowing me to testify in support of SB2994.

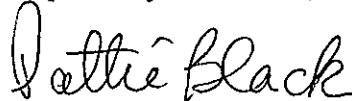
Libraries have always been very important to me. In the past thirty years, I have volunteered at our libraries in Aina Haina, Kamuela, Kona and back again to Aina Haina.

I have a hard time understanding that a larger library group can make it illegal for us to sell books on the library premises, when we are a non-profit organization and all of the money that we raise is used exclusively for our Aina Haina Public library.

I ask that you vote "yes" on SB 2994.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pattie Black". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and address.

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To: Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice-Chair
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From: Mary Chung

Date: Wednesday, February 15th, 2012, 1:20 p.m.

Re: Testimony Supporting SB 2994, Relating to State Libraries

Good Afternoon Senators Tokuda and Kidani and Members of the Senate Education Committee.

My name is Mary Chung, and I appreciate this opportunity to express my support for Senate Bill 2994. I am a volunteer with the Friends of the Aina Haina Public Library and have been a resident of Aina Haina for over 40 years. My children grew up benefitting from the wonderful offerings of the Aina Haina Public Library. My grandchildren enjoy this library when they visit, and there are many multi-generational patrons in our community like our family.

I am also a member of the Friends of the Library of Hawaii, commonly referred to as "Big Friends". I support their mission and efforts to enhance the services of all libraries in Hawaii. I cannot however, support the argument that formal affiliation of the Friends of the Aina Haina Public Library with their organization will bring us all "on the same page". I have never felt at odds with Big Friends as a member of a non-affiliated group. I strongly believe that a responsible non-profit organization such as ours shares an overarching mission to benefit all libraries.

During this period of economic trouble and cutbacks in educational services, why are we granting a monopoly to one group? Should we not strive for inclusiveness and community participation to bolster services that promote literacy and meet the needs of individual communities? Are there not safe guards already in place to prevent the misuse of sales on library property?


When I first learned about the current MOU that grants exclusive rights to sell on library property to the Friends of the Library of Hawaii and its affiliates, I asked why various groups are allowed to fund raise on school property without this kind of restriction. I was told that schools are a different issue. I cannot understand why one branch under the umbrella of the Department of Education is so different. If this can happen to libraries, will sales on school and college campuses follow? Will only one group be allowed exclusive rights to conduct these sales? I am wary of the kind of exclusivity that is very evident in the current MOU between the State Librarian and Big Friends.

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Every community's concerns are unique. Every library is unique in the way it responds to the needs of its patrons. SB 2994 will promote the interdependent nature between the community and its library. An authoritarian system that forces affiliation is at odds with the spirit of our state. Likewise, a system of exclusivity is limiting and hurtful. Please support SB 2994 to expand a revenue base for treasured institutions such as our community libraries.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill.

Respectfully submitted,


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TO: Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
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RE: Senate Education Committee Hearing on "SB2994 - Relating to State Libraries"
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We, the undersigned, support "SB2994 - Relating to State Libraries" which will allow all qualified 501(c)(3) library Friends corporations to sell their books on state property for the purpose of supporting a library within the Hawaii State Public Library System.

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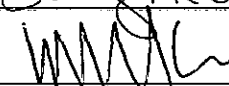
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