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Comments: Aloha Kakou,

I humbly request your support and approval of Senate Bill 3006 SD1 in its amended form in that a task force will be created and developed to gather and collect important data and information as to how to address this prevelant issue regarding illegally dumped tires here on the Waianae Coast and perhaps around the island or State.

This issue has gotten totally out-of-control and is much more serious then conveyed by the media. Our environment is at risk over this " Tire Disposal" calamity.

Please support this bill as this Task Force will be a definite feather in the caps of our legislators in view of the fact that this bill's creation would somewhat appear as being ahead of this environmental mess and not trying to address this issue after the fact.

Mahalo Nui Loa!

02/23/2012

With Regards to SB3006 HD1: Relating to Motor Vehicle Tires

Aloha, my name is Sheryl Ka'uilani Barretto and I respectfully oppose SB3006 HD1, Relating to Motor Vehicle Tires (Revised).

SB3006 HD1 would establish a task force who is to "study ways to prevent or control the problem of abandoned tires." However, a task force is unnecessary and is not the answer to the problem. Immediate action is necessary. The tire epidemic is rampant among Hawaii. Hawaii is limited in space as visible from the stockpiles of used tires located in Kalaeloa. After the task force dissolves, Hawaii will be faced with 500,000 more tires to deal with. (According to the Hawaii State Department of Health, Hawaii estimates a half a million scrap tires per year.) In the meantime, scrap tires will crowd the island, illegal dumping will persist and the people and the environment will suffer.

On January 25, 2012, SB3006 was introduced. I support this initial bill. SB3006 was created to reestablish the \$1 motor vehicle tire surcharge to assist the department of health in its permitting, monitoring, and enforcement activities relating to used motor vehicle tires. The funds which are collected would benefit the people of Hawaii by lessening the amount of scrap tires dumped carelessly into the environment through cleanup and recycling processes. SB3006 is the immediate action necessary to bring about change.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.