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james trujillo	Individual	Support	No

Comments: mahalo for accepting this testimony in favor of passing HB 154. phytoremediation using industrial hemp may be one of the solutions to the reclaiming and rebuilding of healthy soils for hawaii. hb 154 will allow for research and analysis of critical data to develop plans for restoring health and vitality for future farming opportunities. mahalo for considering this testimony. i urge you to move forward and pass hb 154 onto the senate for further discussion and action. with respect and aloha, james g trujillo po box 33 kapaa, hi

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Michael Broady Jr.	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Aloha, My name is Michael Broady Jr. I have been a resident of O'ahu for my entire life of 24 years. I am currently a student at Leeward Community College, and a small farmer with limited land. My testimony today is addressed to The House Committees on AGR, CPC, and FIN. For the hearing on Thursday, January 31, 2013, at 09:00 A.M. I support HB 154. I support the use of industrial hemp for phytoremediation, as our soils are in need of a powerful phytoremediator in the aftermath of pesticide monocultures. As President Franklin D. Roosevelt once said, "A nation that destroys its soils destroys itself".

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**TESTIMONY OF RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN
CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF AGRICULTURE**

BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
Thursday, January 31, 2013
9:00 A.M.
Conference Room 312

**HOUSE BILL NO. 154
RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP**

Chairperson Wooley, Vice Chair Onishi and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 154. This bill would authorize the Chair of the Board of Agriculture to establish an industrial hemp remediation pilot program. The Department supports the intent of the bill but has concerns.

The Department of Agriculture supports the intent of this measure, provided that the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) issues the Chair of the Board of Agriculture a federally-controlled substance registration for the remediation pilot program. While the DEA has issued a similar registration to grow industrial hemp in the past, approval from the DEA may be much harder to obtain today.

The Department would also like to broaden the discussion to include other potential stakeholders such as the University of Hawaii who may have more expertise in the science revolving around phytoremediation.

Finally, the Department is concerned about the blank appropriation amount that leaves uncertainty as to the final financial cost that the Department will have to bear.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.