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Juanita Brown Kawamoto	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: I strongly support SB1170 SD2. Stricter enforcement and penalties will create the proper Kapu program to ensure protection of our most valuable natural resources. The division within the DLNR must have support from this current legislation as we are critically impacted by grave losses from criminal intent with minimum consequences. Please support this bill. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

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Testimony to the House Committee on Water & Land, and
Ocean, Marine Resources, and Hawaiian Affairs
March 11, 2013

Testimony in opposition to SB 1170 SD2, Relating to Enforcement of Violations by the
Department of Land and Natural Resources

To: The Honorable Cindy Evans, Chair
The Honorable Nicole Lowen, Vice-Chair
The Honorable Faye Hanohano, Chair
The Honorable Ty Cullen, Vice-Chair
Members of the Committees

My name is Stefanie Sakamoto, and I am testifying on behalf of Fishing Tales with Mike Sakamoto, a company that was founded by my father in 1985. In addition to producing a fishing show in Hawaii for 15 years, Mike Sakamoto was a tireless fishing advocate, whose philosophy was the rooted in the preservation of fishing rights and ocean resources for future generations.

We are in opposition to SB 1170 SD2. This bill would authorize community service in lieu of fines, supervised by a governmental agency, community service group, or charitable organization. While we are not opposed to the concept of community service, we feel that it should be supervised only by a governmental agency. Allowing outside agencies to administer punishment could result in an unfair abuse of power. We are also opposed to the section of the bill that would allow for the denial of motor vehicle registration. This is a punishment that does not seem to fit the crime, as a violation under this section has nothing to do with the operation of a motor vehicle.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

Stefanie Y. Sakamoto