

SB15

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Testimony for ENE on Feb 5, 2013 14:45PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Larry Quimby	Individual	Oppose	No

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Comments:

Dear Members of the Energy and Environment Committee;

Part of the purpose of SB 15, as stated in the proposed legislation, is to encourage further investment in producing biofuels, mainly ethanol, in the state of Hawai'i because the earlier mandate of 10% ethanol content to encourage ethanol production in-state failed to meet its objective. Changing the wording and broadening the scope of this will not increase the likelihood of investment in this energy technology within our state.

As mentioned in earlier testimony from the State Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, the expansion to include all fuels, especially diesel, is not only impractical, it will actually cause a great deal of harm to diesel engines.

Another testimony pointed out that mandates only skew the free market and do not necessarily produce the intended effect. Rather than mandating certain products be used in fuels to encourage the production of ethanol in Hawai'i, perhaps the legislature would be better advised to make the state more business friendly.

Finally, this proposed legislation increases the reporting requirements of what is contained in fuels. Increasing reporting requirements will increase the cost of providing that service and this increased cost almost always gets passed on to the consumer. The citizens of this state are burdened enough by the cost of fuel. Do not increase that burden any further.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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