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**Testimony of  
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.  
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**Before the House Committee on  
PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Thursday, March 20, 2014  
11:00 A.M.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 309**

**In consideration of  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 134  
ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A  
PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN,  
CONSTRUCTION, TURNKEY, AND FINANCING OF EXPANDED, RENOVATED, OR  
NEW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES STATEWIDE**

House Concurrent Resolution 134 encourages the Department of Public Safety (PSD) to enter into a public-private partnership for planning, design, construction, and financing of new or expanded turnkey correctional facilities statewide. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this measure.**

The Department understands that PSD intends to avail itself of the benefits of public-private partnerships to develop a new prison at Pulehunui, Maui, expand existing facilities at Halawa, Oahu, and to undertake additional projects. For projects occurring on state lands, the Department will cooperate with PSD in presenting requests for uses of public lands that are consistent with this measure to the Board of Land and Natural Resources for favorable consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION (HCR) 134  
A RESOLUTION RELATING TO  
ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A  
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CONSTRUCTION, TURNKEY, AND FINANCING OF EXPANDED, RENOVATED, OR  
NEW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES STATEWIDE

by  
Ted Sakai, Director  
Department of Public Safety

House Committee on Public Safety  
Representative Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair  
Representative Kaniela Ing, Vice Chair

Thursday, March 20, 2014 11:00 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 309

Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Ing, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **strongly supports** HCR 134 relating to public-private partnerships for the purpose of planning, design, construction, and financing of expanded, renovated, or new correctional facilities.

Chronic overcrowding has resulted in deteriorating conditions of our aging correctional system's infrastructures and physical plants. The Department has not significantly expanded its capacity since 1987, when the Halawa Medium Security Facility was opened. Although some small additions have been made to the Community Correctional Centers, there have been no significant improvements made to the system in approximately 15 years. As a result, the facilities are in poor repair, poorly designed, and inadequate for the services they are expected to provide. We do

not believe that we can continue to meet the challenges of providing adequate housing, services and programs in these conditions.

Four of our facilities require extensive renovation, expansion or replacement in the immediate future. These are the Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC), Maui Community Correctional Center (MCCC), Kauai Community Correctional Center (KCCC), and Hawaii Community Correctional Center (HCCC). We will, in all probability, have to consider the relocation of each of these facilities.

In addition, we are committed to housing all of our inmates in Hawaii, rather than in contract facilities on the mainland. We will be able to offer more effective programming, in concert with the precepts of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative, if the inmates were in Hawaii rather than in Arizona. Moreover, this will result in the annual expenditure of tens of millions of our State dollars in Hawaii, rather than in a mainland community.

We are therefore proposing the following:

- Replacement of each of the OCCC, MCCC, KCCC, and HCCC.
- The development on Oahu, a facility or facilities to house and program inmates who need to transition to the community.
- The development of sufficient new prison space to enable us to return all of the inmates from contract mainland facilities, and to relieve the long-overburdened Halawa Correctional Facility.
- The development of a new correctional center in West Hawaii. 35% to 40% of the population now housed at the HCCC in Hilo, are from West Hawaii, about 120 miles away.

We are fully cognizant that this long overdue overhaul of our correctional system will require significant resources, over several years. Determining the best approach to this requires that the Administration and the Legislature concur in two important areas. To this end, we fully support the expression of support found in this Resolution for the following: 1) The exploration of all methods authorized by law, including public-private partnerships as part of our comprehensive strategy; and 2) future appropriations and land or property agreements that may be necessary for meeting future payment obligations.

We appreciate this Committee's support in our efforts to address long-standing problems experienced by our correctional facilities and urge your favorable consideration of HCR 134.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important issue.

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OF  
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TO THE  
HOUSE COMMITTEE  
ON  
PUBLIC SAFETY  
ON  
March 20, 2014

H.C.R. 134

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, TURNKEY, AND FINANCING OF EXPANDED, RENOVATED, OR NEW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES STATEWIDE

Chair Aquino and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on H.C.R. 134.

The Department of Accounting and General Services supports the intent of H.C.R. 134 and will work collaboratively with Department of Public Safety staff and other interested parties to effectuate the purpose of this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on this matter.



**TESTIMONY OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2014**

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**ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:**

H.C.R. NO. 134, ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, TURNKEY, AND FINANCING OF EXPANDED, RENOVATED, OR NEW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES STATEWIDE.

**BEFORE THE:**

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

**LATE**

**DATE:** Thursday, March 20, 2014

**TIME:** 11:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** State Capitol, Room 309

**TESTIFIER(S):** David M. Louie, Attorney General, or  
Renee Sonobe Hong, Deputy Attorney General

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Chair Aquino and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General (Department) strongly supports this resolution relating to public-private partnerships for the purpose of planning, design, construction, and financing of expanded, renovated, or new correctional facilities.

We understand that chronic overcrowding has resulted in deteriorating conditions of our aging correctional system's infrastructures and physical plants and that the Department of Public Safety (PSD) has not significantly expanded its capacity since 1987.

Chronic overcrowding creates greater difficulty in managing inmates, providing appropriate services, and ensuring the safety of both the inmates and the employees, all of which increase the potential liability of the State. PSD's commitment to housing all of Hawaii's inmates in Hawaii, rather than in contract facilities on the mainland is also compelling.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important issue.

**LATE**

WRITTEN ONLY

TESTIMONY BY KALBERT K. YOUNG  
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STATE OF HAWAII  
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY  
ON  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 134

March 20, 2014

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House Concurrent Resolution No. 134 encourages the Department of Public Safety to explore public-private partnership arrangements as a possible means to develop or renovate existing prison facilities throughout the state. The Administration views this concurrent as a signal from the Legislature expressing support for public-private partnership arrangements that could entail utilizing the value in public lands to help finance the cost for these projects.

The Department of Budget & Finance (B&F) supports this resolution as it is consistent with the Administration's philosophy and strategy to explore alternative financing methods for addressing many of the State's significant capital project needs. There are a number of capital projects that are queued with departments where the costs are so large that, in the aggregate, they exceed the state's ability to finance them through conventional or traditional financing sources (i.e. general obligation bonds). Public-private partnerships capitalize on state assets and private sector funding opportunities. The Administration views this as one of the most viable means to address future funding needs.

Public-private partnerships can take many different forms. The Administration has had numerous discussions with various private entities who have

expressed different concepts that could address certain capital projects. Granted, not all private-public partnerships are sensible or as clearly beneficial to the public interest, but the commitment to explore the myriad of possibilities is important.

Long-term capital funding needs for the state exceed the current funding capabilities of the state. B&F is committed to working with every department to find as many funding alternatives to afford capital projects – especially those that develop private-public collaboration. B&F is also committed to evaluating each public-private arrangement to ensure that the value to the public and contribution of any private entity is always in the best interest of the state, departmental operations, and taxpayers.

I support the intent and direction offered in House Concurrent Resolution No. 134.



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**Twenty-seventh State Legislature**  
**Regular Session of 2014**  
**State of Hawai'i**

March 20, 2014

**RE: H.C.R. 134; ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, TURNKEY, AND FINANCING OF EXPANDED, RENOVATED, OR NEW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES STATEWIDE.**

Chair Aquino, Vice-Chair Ing and members of the House Committee on Public Safety, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu submits the following testimony in strong support of House Concurrent Resolution 134.

The Department greatly appreciates the Legislature's recognition that Hawai'i is in urgent need of a new correctional facility, and also appreciates the Legislature's willingness to provide their utmost support, and encouragement if needed. The sooner a new correctional facility is built, the sooner Hawai'i can keep all local offenders at in-state facilities, closer to their families, friends, support systems and programs that are sensitive to the needs of those who grew up in Hawai'i; this will assist us in guarding the safety and welfare of the community and of future generations.

Despite the foregoing, we are disappointed that the Administration has not taken more of a leadership role in this process, and is instead relying on the Legislature to keep things moving forward. We are disappointed to see that the Administration has yet to provide any clear direction or recommendations to the Legislature on this matter, as is clearly within their purview and function

As noted above, the Department is very grateful to the Legislature for doing whatever it takes to ensure the completion of this endeavor, and strongly believes that public-private partnership is the ideal solution. Rather than considering alternatives that would result in \$1 billion of expenditures for the State, public-private partnership could essentially provide the much-needed facility(s) at no cost to the State, both for construction and maintenance.

For all of the foregoing reasons, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu supports the passage of H.C.R. 134. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kat Brady	Community Alliance on Prisons	Oppose	No

#### Comments:

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Jim Albertini	Malu 'Aina	Oppose	No

Comments: Our organization strongly opposes this resolution for more public/private prisons which are proven failures. We need Pu'uhonua, not more prisons, to help heal our people, families, and communities, reduce recidivism, save money, and establish long-term position change that will benefit everyone, instead of using Hawaiians who make up 60% of Hawaii's prisoners as a commodity. Even U.S. Attorney General, Eric Holder, says prisons are warehouses for for the poor and most vulnerable members of our society. Hawaiians had Pu'uhonua that worked for centuries. Let's do something positive and build Pu'uhonua on every island. No more prisons. Mahalo. Jim Albertini president

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ronald S. Fujiyoshi	Ohana Ho`opakele	Oppose	No

Comments: Legislators, wake up! Prisons are not working! Why continue to support what you know is not working? Spending money on prisons is a bottomless hole! The public does not want anything that smells of PLDC! Take note of the following: • On February 15, 2012 Treena Shapiro wrote a story for the Associated Press on the Pu`uhonua bill [Senate bill (SB3016)]. Do you know that eighty-two (82) media reports were carried in thirty-seven (37) different states in the U.S. plus Washington, D.C.? Why did so many different states cover an article of a Pu`uhonua or a Wellness Center? It was because all of these states know that prisons are not working! All eyes are upon Hawai`i to show a model that works at healing pa`ahao. • Do you know that Attorney Eric Holder held a press conference on August 12, 2013 saying that federal prisons were “warehousing the most vulnerable members of society”? He has taken steps to eliminate Mandatory Minimum Sentencing for those not in gangs, not in prison for violent crimes, and not on the top level of drug-dealing. Even he knows prisons are not working! • Hawaiians had working Pu`uhonua that worked; Pu`uhonua can work today at healing Pa`ahao. Build Pu`uhonua, not prisons! • Look at our Ohana Ho`opakele website at [www.ohanahoopakele.org](http://www.ohanahoopakele.org) and see our “Kahea (Call) to Support Pu`uhonua as an Alternative to Prison.” It has 1907 signers that include the majority of Hawaiian cultural practitioners, many religious leaders including all of the Justice and Witness Ministries staff of the United Church of Christ, more than 60 Pa`ahao at Saguaro prison, political leaders including Senator Daniel Akaka, Congresswoman Colleen Hanabusa, Mayor Kirk Caldwell, Mayor Billy Kenoi, past mayors Dante Carpenter, Harry Kim, Lorraine Inouye, Senators Will Espero, Russell Ruderman, Laura Thielen, Ex-Senators Pohai Ryan, John S. Carroll, Norman Sakamoto, Whitney Anderson, Representatives Sharon Har, Ken Ito, Chris Lee, John M. Mizuno, Calvin K.Y. Say, Marcus Oshiro, Georgette Jordan, Roy Takumi, Ex-Representatives Marilyn B. Lee, David Hagino, the late ex-Lt. Governor Jean King, Councilmembers Gary Hooser, Ikaika Anderson, Ex-Councilmembers Donald Ikeda, Fred Blas, Dominic Yagong, DHHL Commissioners Renwick Valentine Tassill, Michael Kahikina, Wallace Ishibashi, Gene Ross Davis, Kama Hopkins, Leimana Damate, Ex-commissioners Ian Lee Loy, Perry Artates, Director William J. Aila Jr., Deputy Director Gary Gill, Ex-OHA trustees Mililani B. Trask, Clarence Ku Ching, Moanikeala Akaka, Walter Ritte, OHA staff John K. Rosa, Leona M. Kalima, Ex-OHA staff Stephen Morse, Wardens Peter McDonald, Neal Wagatsuma, DPS staff Martha Torney, ex-warden Glen Hisashima, Hawaii County staff Wally Lau, Jane Horike, Ex-Hawaiian Caucus Chairs Joseph Lewis, Lela M. Hubbard, Prosecutor Mitch Roth, Ex-prosecutor Jay Kimura, Ex-warden David Winett, Lawyers Myles S. Breiner, Carrie Ann Shirota, Lorenn Walker, Kevin Block, Lanny Sinkin, Robert Merce, Tom Yeh, Alan T. Murakami, Lei Kihoi, Kali Watson, Georgette Yaindl, Professors Williamson Chang, Marilyn Brown, Sarah Marusek, etc. Stop spending money on prisons! Turn to Pu`uhonua to heal pa`ahao! Enough already!

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Brad Parsons	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Luella Nohea Crutcher	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: TO: House Committee on Public Safety Committee Chairman – Henry J.C. Quino Vice Chair – Kaniela Ing Members: Sharon E Har, Linda Ichiyama, Mark M. Nakashima, Gregg Takayama, Roy M. Takumi, Ryan I. Yamane, Kyle T. Yamashita, Bob McDermott REGARDING: HCR134: Encouraging the department of public safety to enter into a public-private partnership agreement for the planning, design, construction, turnkey, and financing of expanded, renovated, or new correctional facilities statewide. My name is Luella Nohea Crutcher and I am speaking for myself. I OPPOSE HCR134. Prisons are not working! Why spend more money on what is not working. • Eric Holder (August 12, 2013) stated that federal prisons were “warehousing the most vulnerable members of society”. • Stats demonstrate that it is not working. o United States have the highest prison rates in the world (stats listed below) o Incarceration rates in Hawai'i increased 709% between 1980 and 2008 We do not need more prisons. We need alternative to prisons for those that are appropriate. As Eric Holder said “the most vulnerable members of society”, and I believe he is talking about prisons who are not hardened criminals. You can set up programs within the prison system that support the Pa`ahao. You can even include traditional practices. But if the environment is not changed (away from punitive treatment), you will get the same results as the enclosed chart demonstart. Alternative to the current prison system must be done to correct these stats. Continuing to build more prisons is not the answer. It will put money in the same people`s pockets that have been making money, but the result is more prisoners, and more cost to the state. Along with increasing the prison population, this affects all of their families. So the cost to the state is even higher, and will keep going up if alternatives are not implemented, away from the prison modality. Spending money and time on more prisons is a band-aid treatment for Pa`ahao and wasting time. Recidivism rate lowered based on Type of Program 1 – Drug Treatment in Jail – minus 4.5% of the recidivism rate 2 – Drug Treatment in Prison - minus 5.7% of the recidivism rate 3 – Adult Drug Courts - minus 8.0% of the recidivism rate 4 – Drug Treatment in Community – minus 9.3% of the recidivism rate 5 – Intensive supervision treatment-oriented programs – not in penal system - minus 16.7% of the recidivism rate Source: Steve Aos, Polly Phipps, Robert Barnoski, and Roxanne Lieb The comparative costs and benefits of programs to reduce crime (Olympia: Washington State Institute for Public Policy, 2001 As you can see by the stats, treatments within the prison systems kept higher recidivism rates. The program that was not run by the penal system had the greatest success in lowering the recidivism rate. There are no stats that show if a Pu`uhonua would work, but the stats above illustrate that Residential Programs (and Pu`uhonua is residential) away from penal system had the lowest recidivism rate. It is the environment, the atmosphere in the prisons that is the problem. A Pu`uhonua Lifestyle Structure or Residential Drug Program: free of prison guards that believe in punishment. Staff that is supportive and treat them with dignity and they will feel safe.

Environment is conducive to supporting men and women in making positive changes in their lives. They can be real and express their real feelings. Versus Prison: Guards believe in punishment and some have a history of cruel punishment. An environment that keeps prisoners on edge, and is not a safe environment. History of guards beating prisoners, or allowing them to be beaten by other prisoners. History of guards committing crimes, such as selling drugs, stealing from the system, therefore not representing good role models. Environment is difficult for prisoners to make changes, because they have to be alert to what is going on around them in regards to their safety. It is difficult for them to be real and express their true feelings. They are in survival mode, and they could be put in lock up for expressing themselves. Please keep in mind that I am not saying the Pu`uhonua is like a chemical dependency program, because it isn't. A Pu`uhonua is a lifestyle, not a program, and I believe a Pu`uhonua Lifestyle would demonstrate an even lower recidivism rate. The big difference is that the Free Standing Chemical Dependency Program represents a western concept and is a program. The Pu`uhonua Lifestyle Structure is offering a Hawaiian Lifestyle. It is not a program, it is the way our ancestors lived. So staff at a Pu`uhonua is supporting the Hawaiian Lifestyle structure with Hawaiian values and utilizing Ho`oponopono and other traditional practices, where Aloha and Ohana is the key. Why a Hawaiian Lifestyle Pu`uhonua? Because even though Hawaiians represent 24% of the population, RaeDeen Keahiolalo-Karasuda in her dissertation (The Colonial Carceral and Prison Politics in Hawai'i) states that 60 % of the prison population is Hawaiian, rather than 41% that state stats show. Kanaka Maoli also have – Highest incidence in felony arrest and convictions longer prison sentences longer probation terms more revocations of those probations Alternatives: • Build at least one Pu`uhonua on each island for their residents. • Those that are chemically dependent, spend this money on Residential Chemical Addiction Treatment Centers, that have a good detox program, along with Family Program, Long- Term Facility and good aftercare. Spend their last year in a Puuhonua I hope you agree with me that it is time to deal with this issue that the stats demonstrate. The current system is not working in lowering recidivism. And lets not spend this money on another bandaid and waste time and money. So please be consider the alternative, a Pu`uhonua Lifestyle Structure rather than a correctional facility. Mahalo – Luella Nohea Chang Crutcher . Incarceration Rates – 2008 (Number of Inmates in Prison or Jail per 100,000 population) Country or State Incarceration Rate United States 750 (All States Average) Louisiana 1138 – highest US rate Maine 273 – lowest US rate Hawai`i 447 - 39th of 50 states Russia 629 Cuba 531 South Africa 334 Taiwan 277 Singapore 267 Iran 222 Mexico 207 England & Wales 152 Turkey 142 Saudi Arabia 132 Australia 129 China 119 Canada 116 Netherlands 100 France 96 Sweden 74 Japan 63 India 33 Sources: Bureau of Justice Statistics, 2009, Pew Center on the States, 2008; International Center for Prison Studies, Kings college, University of London ([www.prisonstudies.org](http://www.prisonstudies.org))

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Thomas Travis	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This resolution is fundamentally flawed for two reasons. First, the idea of public private partnerships is one that Hawaii has soundly rejected when forces try to accomplish the same thing with PLDC. The citizens of the state do not agree that we need to streamline regulatory practices at the expense of community voice, environmental oversight, or due diligence. Second, the treatment of native Hawaiians and their gross overrepresentation in the prison population needs to be addressed, not by increasing the number of prisons, but by increasing the effectiveness of the incarceration that's already occurring. I would have to hang my head in shame if we passed a resolution trying to aid business interests that provide prisoner care rather than supporting the idea of meaningful help to the native Hawaiians. Rather than taking this ridiculous step, instead provide meaningful support for Pu`uhonuas.

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Testimony for PBS on Mar 20, 2014 11:00AM in Conference Room 309

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Paul A. komara, Jr.	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose this Bill HCR 134. We forced the PLDC to be vetoed...Do you not understand the Will of We The People? Aloha, Paul

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
heather Mcvay	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am opposed to spending more money on the current penal system that doesn't work. I am in support of healing alternatives such as the Hawaiian Pu'uhonua system and similar programs that will not dehumanize this sensitive and vulnerable group of society.

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Katarina Culina	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Lezlie Kiaha	Individual	Oppose	No

**Comments:**

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