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**BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
THURSDAY MARCH 20, 2014
9:35 A.M.
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**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 98 REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT
OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND
AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION COLLABORATE TO CONTROL
THE STATEWIDE PROLIFERATION OF FERAL PIGS.**

Chairperson Wooley and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on House Concurrent Resolution 98. This resolution requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), the Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA), and the Agribusiness Development Corporation to collaborate to control the growing statewide population of feral pigs and to submit a report to the legislature. The HDOA provides comments.

The control of feral pigs is not a function of HDOA, and we would defer to DLNR as to the implementation of this legislation, as DLNR's Forestry and Wildlife division currently works with hunters and organizations to control feral pig populations.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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**STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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**Testimony of
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
AGRICULTURE**

**Thursday, March 20, 2014
9:35 AM
State Capitol, Auditorium**

**In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 98
REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES,
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION COLLABORATE TO CONTROL THE STATEWIDE
PROLIFERATION OF FERAL PIGS**

House Concurrent Resolution 98 requests that the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, and Agribusiness Development Corporation collaborate to control the statewide proliferation of feral pigs. **The Department offers the following comments.**

The Department developed a detailed technical report on methods for control of feral pigs to the Legislature in response to Senate Resolution 26, Senate Draft 1 (2005). Those methods are applicable statewide and can be used on private, government, public hunting, rural, residential, and urban lands. Landowners who need to control nuisance animals may apply to the Department for a permit, pursuant to Section 183D-61, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Providing state assistance to landowners to control nuisance feral pigs is limited by a lack of adequate funds and personnel. The Department demonstrated in its report to the Legislature in response to House Concurrent Resolution 98 Senate Draft 1 (2006) that the directed use of public hunting using means other than firearms, in residential or urban areas in areas where firearms are prohibited, can be an effective tool for the control of feral pigs. Approximately two-thirds of state land is already open to public hunting, and the Department is committed to enhancing public hunting and increasing hunting opportunities. Where public hunting is not effective, fences or other barriers must be erected and maintained to eliminate feral pigs and prevent ingress.

The Department suggests the following amendments:

WHEREAS, ~~feral~~ domesticated pigs (*Sus scrofa*) were first brought to Hawaii by the early Polynesian voyagers; and

~~WHEREAS, numerous descendants of those pigs are currently roaming the islands; and~~

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~~WHEREAS, small black pigs that weigh up to one hundred twenty five pounds are believed to be of the same breed introduced by the early Polynesians and can be found on the island of Kauai; and~~

WHEREAS, the later introduction of domestic and game pig breeds from throughout the world ~~has~~ have hybridized with the pigs introduced by Polynesians and produced mixed breeds of feral pigs that range in color from black through red and white and that weigh from two hundred to four hundred pounds;



**THE HUMANE SOCIETY
OF THE UNITED STATES**

To: Honorable Chair Wooley and Committee Members
House Agriculture Committee, 935am, Room 312

March 20, 2014

From: Inga Gibson, Hawaii State Director, The Humane Society of the United States, PO Box 89131, Honolulu, HI 96830, igibson@humanesociety.org

RE: SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS FOR HCR 98/HR 72: REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION COLLABORATE TO CONTROL THE STATEWIDE PROLIFERATION OF FERAL PIGS.

On behalf of The Humane Society of the United States' members and supporters across Hawaii we ask for your consideration of the following amendments:

- Amend page 2, line 14 to read: WHEREAS, feral pigs also invade residential areas where they damage trees, gardens, and other property and may threaten the health and safety of children and household pets; now, therefore,
- Add: WHEREAS, the group is asked to explore potential regulatory, administrative rule and legislative remedies to prevent the illegal possession, breeding, propagation, introduction and release of feral pigs, and to consider similar legislation enacted in other states to control feral pigs,
- Add; WHEREAS, we encourage collaboration with The Humane Society of the United States and other animal welfare organizations to ensure the most humane and technologically advanced control and eradication methods are considered;

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and to provide the above-suggested amendments.



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The Honorable Jessica Wooley, Chair
The Honorable Richard H.K. Onishi, Vice Chair
And Members of the Committee
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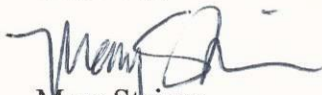
RE: HCR 98, Requesting that the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, and Agribusiness Development Corporation Collaborate to Control the Statewide Proliferation of Feral Pigs

On behalf of the Hawaiian Humane Society, I would like to thank you for providing us with the opportunity to comment on HCR 98. The purpose of this resolution is to develop a comprehensive, multi-agency plan to control the statewide population of feral pigs.

The Hawaiian Humane Society asks that if this resolution passes that the collaborators meet with representatives of our organization to learn and understand our concerns. There are many controls that we believe are inhumane and when developing plans for the control of pigs we would be happy to provide updated information for inclusion in a work plan those methods which utilize humane controls of feral pigs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Mary Steiner
Policy Advocate

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Matt Hoeflinger	Mauna Kea Recreational Users Group	Comments Only	No

Comments: Mauna Kea Recreational User Group opposes this measure. Pig populations are in decline on the Island of Hawaii. Show us the data. Any hunter can attest to fewer animals on state land.

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HAWAII SPORTSMEN ALLIANCE

Opposing HCR 98

House Committee on Agriculture

Rep. Jessica Wooley, Chair

Rep. Richard H.K.Onishi, Vice Chair

Committee members

Thursday, March 20, 2014, 9:35am Auditorium

The Hawaii Sportsmen Alliance strives for balanced conservation and wise use of all our natural resources.

We oppose HCR98.

This is a food source that is respected by many.

A better solution would be for DLNR to improve and approve the following:

Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 13, Chapter 123
Rules regulating Game Mammal Hunting

These rules have been sitting around for 6 ½ years.

No wonder we have problems.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tom Lodge	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: We ask that you not further enable DLNR to continue to shirk their responsibilities to the traditional and cultural consumptive users of Hawaii. Arbitrary reductions of game animal resources is a wasteful practice when an established game management practices employed in ALL forest and watershed areas would be more productive, less expensive, and more community minded and accepted. Aloha.. Tom Lodge

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***To Protect & Promote
Sustainable Public
Hunting in Hawaii***

Testimony from The Hawaii Hunting Association

Committee on AGRICULTURE HCR98

DATE: Thursday, March 20, 2014

TIME: 9:35am

PLACE: Auditorium

Vigorously OPPOSE HCR98

First of all, let's start with some facts, of which this Resolution is clearly deficient. Genetically small Hawaiian pigs are a myth manufactured by the preservationist communities in order to continue the propaganda circulated to promote their cause.



When Capt. Cook landed at Kauai, he was met by a rather portly woman of stature, according to his writings, who had to be a Chiefess because of the Boar's Tusk Bracelets she was wearing.. These pig's

tusks didn't come from small pigs and in fact in trade with

Cook's ships for provisions, they were trading nails for pigs. Hawaiian Historical Legends: XI. Captain Cook page 108 says of pigs.. "Captain Cook purchased pigs for a piece of iron or barrel hoop, to make axes or knives or fish-hooks. A pig one fathom long would get a piece of iron. A longer pig would get a knife for a chief".

The Peabody Museum in Salem has by " Gift of Dr. Charles G. Weld" fish hooks. The first iron fish-hooks were made out of hoop iron obtained from foreign ships, the natives selling their pigs for an equal length of hoop iron, the length of the pig being reckoned from the end of the snout to the tip of the tail. Nos. 173-174, from the deserted village of Kipaepae, Kau, Hawaii. J. S. Emerson coll"

David Malo, a noted Hawaiian Historian, said of the pig that it was the most ferocious animal in the forest. This doesn't tell of small pigs.

Further, "The reportedly small size of Polynesian pigs may have been less a function of genetics than a diet low in protein and the rapid use of younger pigs for food. P.V. Kirch (pers. comm.) noted that most pigs recovered from archaeological sites are young and that pigs were fed coconut, sweet potato, and breadfruit". Seems there is some distortion here but more importantly, the real reason for this state of affairs rests solely on the shoulders of the DLNR.

We object strenuously to any attempt to eradicate or reduce pig numbers arbitrarily, as it again excuses DLNR's collection of failures over the years to properly manage our forests to the point that they and their multitude of obliging partners have now excuse to claim a forest overrun with pigs. This encourages a policy of crisis management and pretext to claim

extraordinary means of removal. This has become the way with DLNR rather than work with consumptive users of the forests in a cooperative manner to keep pig numbers at levels that leave little impact in the forest.

We request that rather than resort to reactionary management practice you instead come to resolution to have DLNR bring the game laws back out to public hearing in order to amend the rules to allow management practices appropriate to the resources on the ground and to adopt a strategy of cooperative resource management with hunters, cultural practitioners and other consumptive forest users in accordance with accepted game management practices in all forest areas and Chapter §183D.

Thank you,

Tom Lodge
Hawaii Hunting Association

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Teresa L. Nakama	BIFA	Oppose	No

Comments: BIFA opposes HCR 98. We already have existing rules and these regulation which needs to be adhereto. Do not waste our taxpayers money and reinvent the wheel, put into place the existing rules and regulations. HAR Ttitle 13 Chapter 123 relating to Rules regulating Game Mammal H unting. These have been in place for 6.5 years.

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Jon Katada	Jk taxidermy	Oppose	No

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Glennon T. Gingo	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To: WAL, FIN, AGR and respective committees. From: Glennon T. Gingo, resident and hunter Holualoa (Big Island) Re: Opposition to HCR 98. I strongly oppose HCR98. The State DLNR has failed to institute a Game Management Plan even though a draft of a plan developed by a working group has been available for over 3 years. Eradication of feral pigs is a quick fix to an issue that can be resolved with effective game management and best through a process of working with hunters and the greater community. A much greater benefit to the community will be the end product of this process rather than a quick fix eradication mindset. Please keep in mind many families hunt (Feral Pigs included) for sustenance as well.

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TESTIMONY OF
RYAN N. KOHATSU
MECHANICAL ENGINEER, AVID HUNTER/GATHERER

BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE

RELATING TO
HCR 98
OPPOSE WITH COMMENTS

Dear House Committee on Agriculture,

I OPPOSE HCR 98 because of current comments I have heard from recent DLNR meetings that continually state the diseases that pigs carry as a reason for eradications and creating rules to prohibit the hunting or sustainable yield from pigs as a resource. Beef and Chicken carry e-coli and salmonella, yet we are not eradicating all our cattle and chickens from the farms. Did you know wild pigs are often caught on the Big Island and slaughtered in USDA approved houses and sold to market in upscale Oahu restaurants as "Wild Boar?"

However, I do agree private landowners should be allowed to control populations on their lands as I have personally seen private lands destroyed. In rural ag zoned areas, there's nothing that stops private landowners from hunting down pig populations. However, there are restrictions for folks closer to urban areas. The Department should find cost effective and creative public involved solutions to this. In the midwest, urban deer are an issue and many states utilize an urban deer hunting program that employs hunters (paying for tags) and cost effectively reducing animal concentrations in urban areas. Many of these hunters are restricted to bowhunting only (for obvious reasons) and required to take a set amount of hours in an advanced bowhunter education program that our State Hunter Education Program is currently trying to bring back. These situations should be considered on a case by case situation and not legislated in one broad stroking act to the whole state that directly affect others that value the resource pigs offer.

In relation to State controlled public hunting lands, pigs should not be a problem if our DLNR is doing their job at managing the situation with hunting to keep numbers in check. Please ask DLNR whether they can even change any hunting rules officially in H.A.R. Title 13, CH. 123? They cannot and always cite the appellate court ruling prohibiting them from it. To my understanding, getting rulemaking officially back has been in the works for many years and no accomplishments have been made. If they are truly serious about utilizing public hunting to cost effectively and publicly benefit our State controlled lands, they should be serious in being able to adjust rules based on management objectives which they have not been doing for many years.

Do they even have management objectives other than eradicate or use staff or contractors to eradicate?
Do they even do animal counts anymore and assess what is an acceptable number of animals in a given

area? Does our wildlife biologists have the resources and rulemaking capabilities to adjust to changing times? Does DLNR even consult with studies or data to decide actions to be taken other than qualitative analysis and conjecture? Many DLNR programs can also be funded through active participation in the resource like hunting, fishing, hiking, birdwatching, commercial eco-tours, etc. Does DLNR take any special and creative ways to promote public or commercial participation and funding through licenses and permits? These are not new ideas. Every other state in the union does this and we do not in Hawaii. The Department already does have the power to make changes ... the public is just waiting for the "effort."

Sincerely,

-Ryan Kohatsu

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Willie-Joe Camara	Individual	Oppose	No

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John Griffiths jr	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: On 3/17/14 i John J Griffiths Jr testified to HB 1902 in front of the senator Malama Solomon . In that hearing i testified that if DLNR had done a game management plan with a carrying capacity of animals like all the other 49 states in US has done EXCEPT HAWAII WE wouldn't be having this problem of our game animal "pigs" causing a harm and Moloma Solomon concured . It is a lack of fiduciary responsibility by DLNR that a terrible bill like this is being presented . By killing our natural game resource "pig" it also violates Hawaiians rights to exercise there cultural ,traditional and religious belief's that the state of Hawaii article 12 sec 7 protects and Federal public laws protect . Instead of letting DLNR,NARS and special interest groups such as TNC and Sierra club and others desecrate state and federal laws protecting Hawaiians we should be making a Statewide game management plan .i strongly OPPOSE. Thank you

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Matt Hoeflinger	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: As a hunter for the last 32 years in Hawaii, I have seen a decline not a proliferation in our game animal populations. Game animals should be looked at as a sustainable food source. What we need is sound management practices not eradication. Please oppose this measure, Thank you, Matt Hoeflinger.

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Paul Bueltmann	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Chair Woolsey, Vice Chair Onishi, and respected members of the Agriculture Committee I oppose HCR98 We can not deny the fact that hunting is cultural to not only the people of Hawai'i but to many people around the world. We can not and should not deny those cultural activities to this generation or any other. What we lack is understanding and studies on how we can manage our current state of our lands. Fencing, eradicating/poisoning are not sustainable we need to be coming up with solutions that do not require more tax dollars that could be used to actually help the people of Hawai'i. Mahalo Paul Bueltmann Hawai'i Game Management Advisory Commission District 4

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Philip Heilesen	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose this bill because what has been designated as "Feral Pigs" is in fact the wild polynesian boar that has been here for hundreds of years with a little domestic blood mixed in. Eliminating them is damaging to the Hawaiiia culture and way of life for many of the residents of the islands. It is absolutely wrong to eradicate such an important part of Hawaii's rich history and a valuable resource to all who live in the islands.

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Lyn Howe	Individual	Support	No

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Bruce R. Faulkner	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose the measure as it is a waste of a cultural resource that has provided food and subsistence to island people for centuries. What the State DLNR needs to do is to relax it's hunting regulations with more generous bag limits and allowance for the quartering or boning out of all of our game species in Hawaii. For instance instead of having to pack out one or two whole animals hunters would be able to pack out much more game if they were allowed to quarter or bone out the animal. Why restrict hunters with out dated regulations only to propose eradication as a option. This bill is ridiculous and is obviously spawned from someone who has not spent any time in the field!

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Jimmy F Encencio	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: i'm a rancher and farmer on the big island and appreciate the game that we have on this island that helps to supplement numerous families of good, clean organic meat on the table....politicians on other islands and dlNr and enviros and big agri-business have too much control of state lands and fail to ask the native hawaiiians and the locals of the big island what their wants and needs are....rather we are subjected to having their rash, one-sided decisions shoved down our throats....we are sick and tired of outsiders (anyone not residing on the big island) of making decisions of the way we should live and practice our cultural and God given heritage and traditions to hunt and gather as indigenous people of these island...therefore, i oppose the passing of hcr98

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