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### TESTIMONY OF JAY FURFARO COUNCIL CHAIR, KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCIL ON

SB 2110, SD 1, RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF PESTICIDES

Committee on Ways and Means

Thursday, February 13, 2014

9:30 a.m.

Conference Room 211

Dear Chair Ige and Committee Members:

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony in strong support of SB 2110, SD1, relating to the Regulation of Pesticides. My testimony is submitted in my capacity as Council Chair of the Kaua'i County Council.

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Senator David Y. Ige & Committee Members RE: SB 2110, SD 1, Relating to the Regulation of Pesticides February 11, 2014 Page 2

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For the reasons stated above, I respectfully request the Committee's approval of this measure. Again, thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony.

Sincerely,

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Council Chair, Kaua'i County Council

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Sincerely,

MEL RAPOZO

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Councilmember, Kaua'i County Council

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**Subject:** \*Submitted testimony for SB2110 on Feb 13, 2014 09:30AM\*

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### **SB2110**

Submitted on: 2/11/2014

Testimony for WAM on Feb 13, 2014 09:30AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization Testifier Position		Present at Hearing
Paul Towers	PAN North America	Support	No

### Comments:

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### NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 13, 2014

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 211, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

**RE:** TESTIMONY <u>IN STRONG SUPPORT</u> OF **SB2110 SD1**RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF PESTICIDES

Aloha, Committee on Ways and Means:

PASS strongly supports SB2110 SD1. We base our stance on experience working with labor trafficked persons found on many local farms on Oahu and Kauai.

While I support many organic local farms like Ma'o, Otsuji, and Waimanalo Country Farms, who do great and honest work in agriculture, we know for a fact that there are many other local farms that not only traffick people to work on their farms but also engage in <u>unregulated and illegal obtaining</u>, <u>handling</u>, and <u>misuse of Restricted Use Pesticides</u>. We have documented illegal use of pesticides such as Lannate, Malathion, and Methomyl on several local farms. These chemicals have extremely harmful effects on humans if not administered properly and in the right amounts.

Some of our clients have cancerous tumors in the nose and brain, mental retardation from extended exposure while living on these farms for years, and inability for motor function, paralysis, and three workers we know of who have died after spraying these chemicals over a period of time. Even more alarming is that workers report <a href="https://example.com/having-to-mix-these-Restricted Use Pesticides together in dangerous pesticide cocktails">https://example.com/having-to-mix-these-Restricted Use Pesticides together in dangerous pesticide cocktails</a>. More investigators are necessary to prevent these violations.

Unless the state can implement better oversight of farms, against crimes such as human trafficking as well as the illegal handling and use of restricted use pesticides, we cannot afford to allow them to be less transparent. Currently, the regulation of agricultural violations is dismal and impractical for both the state



and the federal government due to lack of funding, lack of personnel, and the inability to identify the locations of many farms.

Please pass this measure. The people have the right to know which local farms are violating pesticide regulations. It is a matter of serious public safety. We still do not know the totality of the effects this extended use of pesticides has on the land and water supply and we must make every effort find out.

Attached is a toxicity sheet listing the health effects of pesticides, some of which I have mentioned in this testimony. Also attached is a local news article directly relevant to my testimony involving trafficked agricultural workers and their exposure to these dangerous chemicals.

Please pass SB2110 SD1.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Xian Executive Director

Pesticide/Poison	Chemicals	NFPA/HMIS	Mfr	Some HIth Effects as described in the	EPA
				product information sheets (MSDS)	Registration No.
Lannate	Methomyl CAS 16752-77-5 Cyclohexanone CAS 108-94-1 Methanol CAS 67-56-1	Health: 3 Flammability: 2 Reactivity: 0	DuPont	Chloinesterase depression – discomfort, nausea, headache, weakness, cramps, sweating, respiratory depression, etc. Gross overexposure may cause pathological changes in the liver and kidneys; nerve damage with numbness, weakness or muscle rigidity; tremors; convulsions; and fatality. Eye irritation, blurring. Itching, burning, redness Cyclohexanone is listed as a carcinogen.	352-384
Malathion	Malathion CAS 121-75-5	Health: 2 Flammability: 1 Instability: 0	carcinogen.  Loveland Note to Physician: This produce is a cholinesterase inhibitor. Treat		34704-565
Permethrin	Permethrin. CAS 52645-53-1 (Insecticide)	Health: 2 Flammability: 2 Instability: 1	Loveland	Ethyl benzene is listed as a Class 2B carcinogen by IARC. Almost all systemic effects resulting from exposures to pyrethroids are related to their action on the nervous system. These	

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					No.
				chemicals exert their profound effect by	
				prolonging the open phase of the sodium	
				channel gates when a nerve cell is excited.	
				In rodents, effects such as tremors are	
				induced if the open state is prolonged for	
				brief periods; effects such as sinuous	
				writhing (choreoathetosis) and salivation	
				occur if the open state is prolonged for	
				longer periods. Neurologic signs typically	
				result from acute toxicity. Low-level	
				chronic exposures to pyrethroids usually do	
				not cause neurologic signs in mammals,	
				largely because of rapid metabolism and	
				elimination. (ATSDR)	
				EPA has established an oral RfD for	
				permethrin of 0.05 mg/kg/day	
				based on a 2-year rat feeding study	
				(FMC Corp. 1977), in which a	
				NOAEL of 100 ppm (5 mg/kg/day)	
				and a LOAEL of 500 ppm (25	
				mg/kg/day) for liver weight	
				increases were identified. An	
				uncertainty factor of 100 was used to	
				account for interspecies and	
				intraspecies differences (IRIS	
				2003).	
				The only other standards and regulations	
				available are a World Health Organization	
				(WHO) drinking water guideline for	

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				permethrin of 20 μg/L (WHO 2001) and a Food and Agriculture Organization/WHO accepted daily intake for permethrin of 0.05 mg/kg (HSDB 2003). Note: mg/kg=ppm.	
Vydate L (Insecticide)	Oxamyl CAS 23135-22-0 Methyl alcohol CAS 67-56-1	Health: 2 Flammability: 3 Stability: 0	DuPont	DANGER-POISON! Fatal if swallowed. May be fatal if inhaled. Do not breathe spray mist. Causes moderate eye irritation. Avoid contact with eyes or clothing. Contains methanol which may cause blindness.  **RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE**  Due to Acute Toxicity and Toxicity to Birds and Mammals. For retail sale to and use only by Certified Applicators or persons under their direct supervision and only for those uses covered by the Certified Applicator's certification.	
Pyrellin	Pyrethrins CAS 121-21-1 Rotenone (Insecticide)			Gastrointestinal irritation, resulting in nausea, cramps, diarrhea and vomiting. Can also cause nervous system disorders, such as fatigue, dizziness, headaches, lack of coordination, tremors and unconsciousness.  Pesticide Action Network (PAN) bad actor means it is at least one of the following:  • Known or probable carcinogens, as	30573-2

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				product information sheets (MSDS)	Registration No.
				designated by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), U.S. EPA, U.S. National Toxicology Program, and the state of California's Proposition 65 list.  • Reproductive or developmental toxicants, as designated by the state of California's Proposition 65 list.  • Neurotoxic cholinesterase inhibitors, as designated by California Department of Pesticide Regulation, the Materials Safety Data Sheet for the particular chemical, or PAN staff evaluation of chemical structure (for organophosphorus compounds).  • Known groundwater contaminants, as designated by the state of California (for actively registered pesticides) or from historic groundwater monitoring records (for banned pesticides).  • Pesticides with high acute toxicity, as designated by the World Health Organization (WHO), the U.S. EPA, or the U.S. National Toxicology Program.	
Quadris	Azoxystrobin CAS 131860-33-8	Health: 1 Flammability: 1 Stability: 0			100-1098
Radiant	Spinetoram J CAS 187166-40-1	Health: 1	Radiant		
(Insecticide)	Spinetoram L CAS 187166-15-0	Flammability: 0			

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Pesticide/Poison	Chemicals	NFPA/HMIS	Mfr	Some HIth Effects as described in the product information sheets (MSDS)	EPA Registration No.
	Propylene Glycol CAS 57-55-6	Stability: 0			
Scythe (Herbicide)	Pelargonic acid CAS 112-05-0 Paraffinic petroleum oil CAS 64741-88-4	Health: 1 Flammability: 1 Stability: 0			
Metalosate Iron	Organic mineral foliar supplement	Non-hazardous. But PPE is recommended.	Albion		
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Magnesium		But PPE is recommended			
NuFilm P	Terpene polymers. (Fertilizer)	Non-hazardous. But PPE is recommended			

CHOLINESTERASE INHIBITORS - Cholinesterase, or acetylcholine, produced in the liver, is one of many important enzymes needed for the proper functioning of the nervous systems of humans, other vertebrates, and insects (EXTOXNET). Nerve impulses are transmitted across synapses through the release of a chemical called acetylcholine. After the stimulating signals are transferred, cholinesterase is released by the body and the acetylcholine is broken down into its acetyl and choline components and removed from the synapse, allowing other signals to pass through (EXTOXNET). Cholinesterase inhibiting chemicals, most notably organophosphate and carbamate Pesticides, do not allow cholinesterase to end the stimulating signal which causes a build up of stimulating signals in the nervous system. Because they cannot be removed, the stimulating signals continue firing in the body which results in the uncontrollable movements that are the sign of cholinesterase inhibition including rapid muscle twitching, convulsions, and others (EXTOXNET and PMEP). (Definition from Toxipedia http://www.toxipedia.org/display/toxipedia/Cholinesterase+Inhibitor)







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# Fat Law Farm - Known as 'King Of Basil' Producers - Ordered to Cease Sales and Destroy Basil After Unauthorized Pesticide Found



FAT Law Basil Farm

**BY MALIA ZIMMERMAN** - Fat Law Farm, which deems itself "The King of Basil" in Hawaii, was ordered by the state Department of Health this week to destroy its entire basil crop – all 29 acres – because it used an unapproved pesticide.

Through spot testing, DOH investigators found the farm was using the pesticide methomyl at two of its farm properties. Methomyl is toxic to humans and for that reason was unapproved for use on some foods.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has a "zero tolerance" for methomyl on basil.

According to the Hawaii Department of Health, basil samples collected on FAT's Ewa farm on April 12 showed 0.045 to 3.49 parts per million (ppm) of methomyl; additional samples from the Kunia farm contained a range from non-detectable to 0.507 ppm of methomyl on the basil.

Gary Gill, spokesperson for the agency, said Fat Law is a well-established professional farm, with licensed applicators knowledgeable about what is allowed and what is not.

"There is no reason this pesticide should have been there on this basil," Gill said. "Sometimes we find similar situations on smaller farms with less resources and employees who are not trained. But they are a large farm with the resources and training to know better."

The basil crop in Hawaii is valued at more than \$5 million a year, with much of it exported to the U.S. mainland and abroad.

Fat Law Farms operation, which is run by Frank, Alice and Tim Law, accounts for over 80 percent of all basil exports from the islands.

Fat Law will be banned from selling, giving away or distributing through any means the basil until subsequent samples indicate zero levels of methomyl.

There could also be additional monetary penalties, Gill said, and the DOH also will be accelerating its testing. "Given the additional data we collect, we will be able to determine how widespread the

problem is," Gill said.

While the health department believes the Fat Law basil crops tested on April 12 and 17 may have been distributed to consumers in Hawaii, Gill said the department does not consider the situation to be a significant threat to public health, because methomyl is approved by the EPA in minimal amounts for use on a variety of vegetables such as tomatoes and parsley leaves.

Attorney Clare Hanusz, who with Melissa Vincenty has represented several farm workers in cases against farm owners involving alleged human trafficking, visa fraud and poor working conditions, said she has heard reports of unapproved pesticides being used for years on Fat Law farms and dozens of other farms throughout the islands.

"I applaud the state department of health for taking action," Hanusz said. "State and federal agencies should also be taking a hard look on the health and working conditions of the people who work on the crops that we eat locally."

FAT Law Farms was named the U.S. Small Business Administration state and regional winner for exporting in 2006.

No one answered the phone at Fat Law on Friday, but its web site talks about the family business: "FAT' in Chinese means good fortune or prosperity but it is also an acronym for Frank, Alice and Tim who have worked hard to grow, market and export fresh Hawaiian herbs to the mainland United States and Canada. They are also involved and committed to working with the farming community and they promote a positive image of business at its best."

The Law family is well known in the farming community. Tommy Law and Tony Law, brothers to Frank and Tim, also run their own farms on Oahu. The family is originally from Laos, and started farming in Hawaii in 1986.

In late 2011, *Hawaii Reporter* produced a series of investigative reports related problems involving pesticide and working conditions at both Tony and Tommy Laws' farms.

In December 2011, Alay Tansili, 46, who said he worked for Tony Law 7 days a week for \$1,500 a month as a farm laborer and lived at his farm in a makeshift plywood shack with no plumbing or electricity and no furniture except for his cot, suffered a severe and debilitating stroke and was hospitalized at Castle Memorial Center.

Alay said he had many bad reactions after mixing and spraying chemicals on the crops and burning the chemical containers as he was directed. After handling hazardous chemicals without training or protection for as many as three days a week for at least four years, he collapsed. Alay was here living and working illegally, had no health insurance and needed considerable rehabilitation in order to walk again.

Alay's friend, Khamfanh Keohavong, also here from Laos living in Hawaii illegally, worked on Tony Law's farm with Alay for four years before quitting for similar reasons. Khamfanh told *Hawaii Reporter* he collapsed several times after spraying the same chemicals that hurt Alay. A doctor in Queens Medical Center said the chemical exposure may have caused Khamfanh to develop a brain

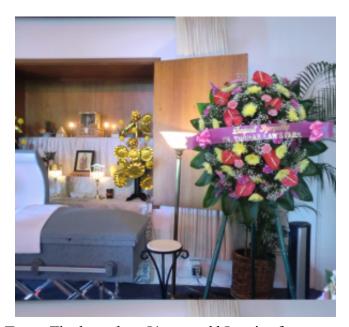
tumor.

Vincenty visited Tony Law's farm after Alay fell ill. Vincenty said Alay and Khamfanh have worked under "terrible conditions" and they were sickened after spraying chemicals several days a week over a period of years. While Khamfanh experienced blackouts and numbness is his limbs, Alay suffered from rashes, shortness of breath, headaches, fatigue, numbness in his arms and legs and the loss of his sense of taste.

Tony Law told *Hawaii Reporter* Alay was just his friend, and only he mixed and sprayed chemicals on his produce.

Even though doctors had already told Law that Alay could not be released, Tony Law, who told *Hawaii Reporter* in December he wanted Alay to go home to Laos to be with his family, came to pick up Alay at the hospital. He brought two other men with him to the hospital and wheeled Alay out of his room toward the elevator twice on a Saturday morning. Vincenty said the first time a nurse stopped Law, and the second time, Alay's friends who came to visit stopped Law and told him Alay could not leave the hospital, much less Hawaii.

Law denies he was trying to sneak Alay off the grounds and said he was only trying to give Alay a break from being in his small room. But in the end, Tony Law sent Alay back to Laos. Through a *Hawaii Reporter* translator, Alay disclosed Tony Law paid him \$2,000 in cash and bought him a plane ticket to encourage him to go home.



Toune Tipphavanh, a 51-year old Laotian farm laborer working at a Kahuku farm owned by Tony's brother, Thomas Law, became ill at work and died shortly afterward. A cremation ceremony, which Hawaii Reporter's Jim Dooley attended, was held for her in early November.

In another case involving the Law brothers, Toune Tipphavanh, a 51-year old Laotian farm laborer who worked on brother Tommy Law's farm, became ill at work and died shortly afterward. *Hawaii* 

Reporter's Jim Dooley attended a cremation ceremony held for her in early November 2011.

Friends said Toune was not taken to a doctor for several years despite a known heart condition. Her husband, who traveled here with her in 2006, returned home to bring their children the sad news.

Attorney Clare Hanusz confirmed: "We have reported conditions of workers using dangerous chemicals without proper training or protections, and know of Lao workers who have gotten seriously ill and even died likely due to pesticide exposure."

While Gary Gill did not comment on problems at the other brothers' farms or expand on the current problems at Fat Law, the state Department of Health spokesman said the sale and use of pesticides are strictly regulated because they are dangerous to the applicator in concentrated form if not used properly.

He said applicators must have training, and wear proper gear while they are spraying, or it could have a potential negative health impact. Improper use can also have a negative impact on consumers, he said.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
<b>Brad Parsons</b>	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Senators: 8 inspectors being requested in the State budget is better than the 3 inspectors in this bill.

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Dana G. Moss	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It is imperative that there be something in place to make sure all the people of our fragile State is protected from poisons of any kind.

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John Gelert	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We definitely need to provide money for testing to regulate pesticides, to protect the residents.

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Ī	jw nalda	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Support this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Peggy McArdle	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha. I support stringent enforcement and strict regulation regarding the toxic Restricted and General Use Pesticide's by the Bio Tech Seed companies in Hawaii. Toxic Pesticide use on Hawaii's citizen's and Hawaii's fragile ecosystem needs monitored, studied, reevaluated and, preferably, terminated. Banned pesticides are currently being used for experimental purposes in the field and are affecting the population of Hawaii. This is unacceptable and must be immediately stopped. Toxic Restricted and General Use Pesticide Contamination of Hawaii's Ground Water, Sterilization of Hawaii's Soil, toxic pesticide run off in Hawaii's Waterways, Air Pollution and Birth Defects are happening NOW. Restricted Use Pesticide regulations need to be seriously enforced for the public's health and safety. As Hawaii Legislators, your utmost responsibility is to protect Hawaii's Resources, Hawaii's Citizen's, Public Health and Hawaii's Keiki. Mahalo.

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To: WAM Testimony

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### **SB2110**

Submitted on: 2/11/2014

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Pres Position He	
Shannon Rudolph	Individual	Support	No

Comments: STRONG SUPPORT! And waaaaay past time! Ag Dept., Health Dept., and many legislators have been asleep at the wheel while residents suffer. This bill MUST pass!

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sherrian witt	Individual	Support	No

### Comments:

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