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RE: SB 2683

TESTIMONY

Thank you for your attention. I am strongly in favor of this measure for the following:

- There is a one mile stretch of unpaved road through Nanawale Preserve of which there are no buildings. It is a work of beauty and one of the natural wonders of this island.
- Over the past 6 months, the homeowners in this local area have gone out with garbage bags, back-hoes, and pick-up trucks to remove the garbage and trash that had been thrown in the ditches along the road including appliances, abandoned cars, bags of garbage, furniture, and used food items. In our first group cleaning, we pulled out 54 tires.
- Over the ensuing weeks, the road became littered once again with pitched tires – primarily because there is no legal place to get rid of them. Once the tires came back, then so did more trash. We pulled out 23 tires in our second group clean – along the same stretch of road.
- What we have seen is that the cleaner we keep the road, the less people are inclined to throw out their garbage.
- We know where and how to get rid of all the trash that others are throwing on the ground. We don't know what to do with the tires.
- If the tires can be removed, then the trash problem in this area will diminish - conceivably to nothing.

Most appreciatively –

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Submitted on: 1/30/2014

Testimony for ENE on Jan 30, 2014 14:45PM in Conference Room 225

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dean Cail	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: We live on a scenic country road. Unfortunately, it is a traditional dumping site for everything from tires to appliances to vehicles. As a community, we have gathered over 60 tires, but they keep on coming. Signs stating the heavy fines for dumping may or may not help, but our request for them has been ignored

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Marilyn Begg	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support SB2683 to make appropriations to assist communities with the removal of motor vehicle tires. I am a resident in the Wa'a Wa'a community in the Puna District on the Big Island. Our community struggles to keep our Government Beach Road free of discarded trash and tires, etc. We have cleaned up our road and taken trash to the transfer station along with disposing of metal junk to Big Island Scrap Metal in Keau'u. Kevin Dayton, exec. assist to the Mayor, has assisted in our ongoing cleanup by taking trash and disposing of the tires. HELP!!!