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**REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL
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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
Friday March 21, 2014 1:00 p.m. Room 225

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REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DEFER LEASE PAYMENTS ON PASTURE LEASES FOR TWO YEARS TO AFFORD LEASEHOLDERS A REPRIEVE FROM DROUGHT CONDITIONS.

Chair Solomon, Nishihara, Vice Chairs and Members of the Committees:

My name is Jason Moniz, and I am the president of the Hamakua County Farm Bureau. Hamakau County Farm Bureau represents a wide variety of farmers and ranchers utilizing conventional, organic and genetic technology to contribute to Hawaii's food security.

The Hamakua County Farm Bureau **supports** SCR 141/SR 77

Extended droughts in the southern half of the State have been particularly damaging to our beef cattle ranches. Beef cattle ranches typically occupy agricultural lands with shallow soils, lower rainfall, with no irrigation systems that are typically the first and most severely affected by droughts. Our ranchers have adapted by significantly liquidating their herds resulting in lower production and incomes.

This resolution to defer State pasture lease payments will give short term relief to lessees in arrears. However, State agencies managing farm and ranch leases need to quickly recognize and act soon recognizing climate change is here and adjust lease rentals to match lower carrying capacities that have been reset by global warming.

Thank you for your assistance to agriculture and for considering my comments and concerns.

We appreciate this opportunity to provide testimony on this matter.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Stacie Francis	Hawaii Cattlemens Council	Support	No

Comments:

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Bud & Katy Gibson	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: With the logistics of trying to raise livestock and agriculture in Hawaii, anything that can help us after the last two droughts we have gone through would be a tremendous help. The additional feed and irrigation cost have be extremely excessive.

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Hawaii's Agricultural Partnerships	4 Ag Hawaii ~ Non Profit 501 [c] [3]	Support	No

Comments: 4 Ag Hawaii, Inc. stongly supports this measure ~ our family ranchers need your support to help preserve our local beef industry

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