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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Renee Imes	Hawaii Cat Foundation AND also as an INDIVIDUAL	Oppose	Yes

Comments: I am in support of this ONLY IF AMENDED to SPECIFICALLY include a TNRM expert who are active trappers as a voting member of a task force and that takes into consideration and includes representatives of cat-friendly organizations in Hawaii, specifically humane and inclusive of highly successful programs such as TNRM. The numbers provided give a very good idea of how well this program would work, and be done so in a humane way. Cats have value, worth and are deserving of being treated in an ethical and humane way which also respects and understands their CONTRIBUTION to the environment and not just focusing on negatives. Especially with the homeless population in Hawaii, the rat populations (attracted to debris and unsanitary conditions) would be exponentially higher if it were not for cats which are beneficial in keeping rats (and the diseases they carry) at bay. Some numbers: Re ANNUAL NUMBER OF CATS @HHS: ----- Per HHS ANNUAL REPORTS over several years reflecting the number of cats surrendered annually has gone down by half since 1995, when the spay/neuter and TNR programs were implemented. In spite of growing human population and newly developed and densely populated communities, the actual number of cats taken to HHS has decreased - a benchmark of success and efficacy of spay/neuter and TNRM programs. ----- CAT INTAKE HHS: - 2015 =12,174 cats - 2014 =13,883 cats - 2013=14,431 cats - 2012=16,130 cats - 2011= 17,576 cats - 2010= 17,938 cats - 1996= 19,583 cats - 1995= 21,070 cats ----- Annual number of feral cat spay/neuter surgeries: CAT FRIENDS: - 2016: 3241 cats sterilized - 2015: 2971 cats sterilized - 2014: 3188 cats sterilized - 2013: 2788 cats sterilized - 2012: 3071 cats sterilized - 2011: 3102 cats sterilized - 2010: 2469 cats sterilized - 2009: 2103 cats sterilized

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Cathy Goeggel	Animal Rights Hawai'i	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Committee on Water and Land hearing: February 15, 2017 3:00 pm
Room 414 Hawai'i State Capitol Chair Karl Rhoads Vice Chair Mike Gabbard and
Members of the Committee

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Sandi Kean-Casebolt	Daze of Camelot Animal Sanctuary	Oppose	No

Comments: And so you say this will be a humane killing. You are going to poison them. The poison you use will cause them to bleed to death internally, and is extremely painful. If YOU were requesting end of life help from a physician, would YOU ask for your life to ended this way. You are disgusting if you think this is humane. May God take mercy on your souls!

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From: [Rich Thompson](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I oppose the adoption of Hawaii State Bill 1262.
Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 4:42:57 PM

Aloha,

I oppose the adoption of Hawaii State Bill 1262.

1. I don't think this is an issue to spend state tax payers money on. Though the bill does have language expressing minimizing public expenses, there will still be money spent. I would prefer our tax dollars going to higher priority issues like HUMAN homelessness.
2. Even if this issue were to become higher priority, there are already organizations positioned to advise the State Government on how to humanely control animal populations (humane societies are specifically called out in the bill)
3. Lastly I disagree with the makeup of the "voting members". The bill has been introduced by individuals who have in the past introduced anti-cat biased proposals and the task force voting members will be made up from organizations who have already publicly made anti-cat statements.

Please use our tax dollars wisely. Please do not let biased legislation pass.

Aloha

Rich Thompson

Kaimuki Hawaii

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I oppose SB1262

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marina	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please count my vote to support this bill

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jessica Dunn	Individual	Support	No

Comments: There is a need for a presence of a local advocacy Group supporting trap neuter return and manage included in this task group. Two public seats as well. A focus of this task task group could provide training opportunities for proper colony management and a focus on public education and outreach. I haven't heard of a public service announcement that shares the importance of spay and neuter for free roaming cats that are being fed

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Jacqueline Diaz	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Sandra Shigeta Accatino	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose this bill because it is inhumane and only the Trap Neuter Return Mangle (TNRM) is a well documented proven method that lowers the feral cat population.

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To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: In support of SB 1262
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 10:42:44 AM



Aloha Chair Sen. Rhoads, Vice-Chair Sen. Gabbard, and committee members,

I am in strong support of SB 1262 because this is such a highly charged issue and concern in our community, and we need to find a humane solution asap. Lack of dialog between animal welfare groups and conservation interests impedes progress, and this is too important and urgent of an issue to continue the status quo.

By bringing together diverse interest groups, the task force has a chance to identify key priorities, address misconceptions and misunderstandings, and come up with humane strategies. We must move forward with this. Hawaii is unique and we need to have the input of local experts.

Thank you very much.

Ginny Tiu

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