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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laurie Field	Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Margaret Parish	Rally For Common Ground	Support	No

Comments: Dear Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Committee: I am in strong support of SCR 131 which demonstrates how Hawaii's core values of equality and aloha can show the rest of our country that all people deserve respect for their rights regardless of their nationality when they are in our State. Let us stand tall and strong with our core values - that bigotry and racism have no place in Hawaii. I am with our Attorney General, our County Council, and the House of Representatives in asking your thoughtful consideration of this measure. Sincerely, Margaret Parish

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April 1, 2017

Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran
Senator Karl Rhoads
And Members of the
Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Re: SCR 131 - Freedom State

Dear Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Committee:

I write in strong support of **SCR 131**, which seeks to demonstrate how Hawaii's core values of equality and aloha can show the nation and the world that all people deserve respect for their rights regardless of their nationality when they are in our State.

Let's show the world that bigotry and racism have no place in Hawaii.

I stand with our Attorney General, our County Council, and the House of Representatives in asking your thoughtful consideration of this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara L. Franklin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Barbara L. Franklin, Esq.
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Francine Roby	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, I am testifying in support of SCR 131 to make Hawaii a "Freedom" state and protect the rights of our citizens and immigrants. Hawaii was built on the strength of immigrants, in fact, we are all immigrants here. Mahalo

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Francine Roby	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly agree with our Attorney General, County Council, and House of Representatives to support this bill which shows how Hawaii considers aloha and equality over racism and bigotry. Let us be an example to the rest of the States and the world to respect the rights of residents no matter their origins. Mahalo.

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Franz Weber	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This is what Hawaii stands for, as people, mission, believe, way of life. It is important to preserve this for the future, and lead by example. There are much more important tasks for the agencies and government to focus their energy and resources on

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Koohan Paik	Individual	Support	No

Comments: April 2, 2017 Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran Senator Karl Rhoads And Members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor Re: SCR 131 - Freedom State
Dear Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Committee: I write in strong support of SCR 131, which seeks to demonstrate how Hawaii's core values of equality and aloha can show the nation and the world that all people deserve respect for their rights regardless of their nationality when they are in our State. Let's show the world that bigotry and racism have no place in Hawaii. I stand with our Attorney General, our County Council, and the House of Representatives in asking your thoughtful consideration of this measure. Sincerely, Koohan Paik Honokaa, HI 96727

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Kris Bordessa	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I'm proud of the actions taken by our state so far! Bigotry and hate have no place in Hawaii. I support SCR131.

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Maxine Anderson	Individual	Support	No

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April 3, 17

Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair
Senator Karl Rhoads, Vice-Chair
Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Re: SCR 131 - Freedom State

Dear Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Committee:

I write in strong support of **SCR 131**, which seeks to demonstrate how Hawaii's core values of community and aloha can show the nation and the world that all people deserve respect for their rights regardless of their nationality when they are in our State. We can be a "place of refuge."

There is sometimes a price to be paid for standing up for what is right, but standing up for what is right is priceless. In the name of democracy, fairness, and a spirit of inclusion, I ask for the Committee's support for this measure.

Sincerely,

Meizhu Lui
P.O. Box 175, 35-354 Pahale Road
Papaaloa HI 96780

Michele Chavez-Pardini
P.O. Box 2538
Kamuela, HI 96743

I am writing to support SCR 131. We are a country of immigrants and must stand up against the xenophobic rhetoric and actions of the current administration. Separating families and mistreating people because of their country of origin is not the "American" way. All of us know people who have come to our country seeking a better life. Yes, there needs to be some kind of immigration policy. However, the one being championed by the current administration does not make us safer. This divisive language just divides us and causes suspicions and uneasiness at a minimum and creates fear and separates families in the worst cases. Silence or inaction are consent to these policies. Diversity and multi-culturalism are a part of our State and Country. We must not assist ICE or the Trump administration in eroding our civil rights and we must also respect and protect the rights of immigrants.

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Patricia Boland	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Re: SCR 131 - Freedom State Dear Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Committee: I write in strong support of SCR 131, which seeks to demonstrate how Hawaii's core values of equality and aloha can show the nation and the world that all people deserve respect for their rights regardless of their nationality when they are in our State. Let's show the world that bigotry and racism have no place in Hawaii. I stand with our Attorney General, our County Council, and the House of Representatives in asking your thoughtful consideration of this measure. Sincerely, Patricia Boland

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Phil Barnes	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I would strongly urge you to support SCR 131. Hawaii is not called "The Aloha State" for no reason. The present immigration policy positions of the Trump administration go against everything that Hawai'i stands for. Lets send a strong message to DC that we will not aid and abet this ill conceived policy.

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R. Spiegel	Individual	Support	No

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vivienne aronowitz	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I believe that we must have a freedom state. We are a nation of immigrants and once the weakest and most vulnerable amongst us are targeted it is slippery slope to eroding the rights of all citizens. The history of Hawaii is particularly pertinent. This industries of these islands were build up by immigrants and less than 100 years ago many of the residents here were put in concentration camps. This history teaches us "never again" . Let us continue to be leaders for demanding freedoms for all and keeping all of our residents safe from being singled out.

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