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**Testimony of**  
**SUZANNE D. CASE**  
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**Before the House Committee on**  
**OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Friday, February 3, 2017**  
**9:30 AM**  
**State Capitol, Conference Room 312**

**In consideration of**  
**HOUSE BILL 1457**  
**RELATING TO AQUATIC LIFE**

House Bill 1457 would require the Division of Aquatic Resources of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to promote education about nearshore reef wildlife and to develop a comprehensive plan, programs, and policies for its sustainable management. **The Department appreciates the intent of this measure to support a plan for sustainable management, but has concerns about other parts of the measure.**

The Department supports education about reef life, but we would face many challenges to achieving the goals described. The Department currently does not have a permanent state-funded position on Oahu to provide this education to the public. The position was eliminated in the mid-1990s and despite repeated attempts to restore it, we have not been successful. The Department has started to develop a Statewide Aquatic Resources Management Plan, as well as, developing a plan for combating coral bleaching and improving reef health, pursuant to the Governor's 30x30 initiative. A plan for sustainable management of the marine resources would be a welcome addition.

While the Department respectfully disagrees with the bills characterization of unsustainable aquarium collecting, we do recognize the need to do more to better manage the State's resources. Plans are just one part of a larger effort to effectively manage these resources. Funding and manpower will be needed to develop the plan, gather the necessary scientific information for decision-making, and implement the plan.

More specifically, the parts of the bill that the Department is concerned about include determining what "historically naturally occurring levels" are. Also, the Department is unclear what subsections (c) and (d) mean. Why is there a special condition for "designated limited-entry areas" in subsection

**SUZANNE D. CASE**  
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(c) and where are these? Why does subsection (d) prevent the Department from not including the taking of fish for human consumption in our management programs?

Thank you for the opportunity to comment of this measure.



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Representative Cedric Asuega Gates, Vice Chair  
House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, and Hawaiian Affairs  
HB1457

RELATED TO AQUATIC LIFE  
Friday February 3, 2017 9:30 a.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 312

**Submitted on Behalf of the Democratic Party of Hawaii**

The Democratic Party of Hawaii supports HB1457 “Relating to Aquatic Life” the intent of which is to promote education about aquatic life with the aim of developing a comprehensive management plan to maintain and enhance the health of aquatic life along our shoreline. The health of our off shore reef and aquatic species is critical to the State’s economic, cultural, and environmental wellbeing.

**Passage of HB1457 is consistent with the DPH’s Legislative Priority for this 2017 Legislative Session to support legislation to improve marine/ocean health.**

Mahalo for the opportunity to comment on this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ *Tim Vandever* (tim@hawaiidemocrats.org)  
Chair of the Democratic Party of Hawai‘i  
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Vice Chair of the Democratic Party of Hawai‘i

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February 03, 2017

To: OMH Committee, Hawaii State Legislature  
Re: **HB 1457 in SUPPORT**

Aloha Chair Ing and Committee members,

We appreciate and support the intent of HB1457, however we believe it should be made clear that it only applies to the marine aquarium trade. Everyone needs to eat – no one needs an aquarium fish. Placing limits on subsistence fishers while allowing the marine aquarium trade – which captures juvenile/undersize wildlife for personal aquariums on the mainland – to diminish and deplete populations of reef fish and other essential organisms is not compatible with Hawaii's values or good natural resource management.

We urge you to consider a complete moratorium on the marine aquarium trade until its numerous environmental, cultural, and ethical issues are resolved by the legislature. The DLNR is already overburdened and underfunded, and showing a strong bias in support of this trade, has long ignored its mandate and broad, clear, statutory authority to protect our natural resources. Note the low bar for strong action set by the legislature in HRS 190-3 for rules adopted by DLNR which "**may** prohibit activities that **may disturb, degrade, or alter** the marine environment."

For decades the marine aquarium trade has been allowed to substantially disturb, degrade and alter Hawaii's reefs to supply our wildlife to mainland aquarium hobbyists.

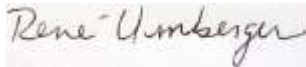
- Hawaii reefs are a public trust with significant socio-economic and cultural value.
  - NOAA study sets annual value at \$34 billion.
- Millions of reef creatures are missing where aquarium collecting occurs.
- Heavily targeted species are down 50 – 90% on Oahu and Hawaii Island.
  - Many are herbivores, critically important to coral reef health.
- Aquarium trade effects are readily apparent on nearly all Hawaii reefs.
- Value and lost revenue is estimated in the hundreds of millions annually.
- Compromised reefs are a loss to all Hawaii people, while benefiting 50 full-time collectors, statewide. 20 more collectors work part time.
  - Reported annual landings are \$2 million gross.
  - Program administration and enforcement needs far exceed state revenues.
- Reef wildlife suffers from serious injury, mutilation, and starvation in capture and transport, contributing to early deaths and driving demand for replacements.
- A vast majority of Hawaii residents voice strong opposition to the aquarium trade, citing environmental, cultural and animal cruelty concerns.



- Some long-time DAR staffers consistently dismiss info/data exposing AQ negative impacts and major statewide calls to address the issues.
- In 2014, DARs administrator resigned, after just 14 months on the job, in part over this issue and the divisions political wrangling, lack of science-based rule-making, and consistent dismissal of stakeholder concerns.

We urge you to place a moratorium on the marine aquarium trade in order to remedy the disturbed, degraded and altered reefs that have resulted from their practices, restore abundance to Hawaii reefs, end wildlife abuse, and address culturally insensitive practices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rene Umberger". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Rene Umberger  
Executive Director

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**HB1457**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Dave And Rita Cross	Citizen Advocates for Animals	Comments Only	No

Comments: The list below regards the aquarium trade in Hawaii. YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan! YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii's reefs. Stop it now, PLEASE! We thank you kindly for your serious consideration of our concerns and request!

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February 2, 2017

Dear Members of the Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs Committee,

Thank you for your consideration of the impacts of aquarium trade in Hawai'i. I am writing in support of HB 1457. Protecting the marine resources of Hawai'i should be a priority for a state whose critical economic tourism industry depends upon them. In this letter I will share data and findings from a recent piece of research I have conducted focusing on a testimony analysis of all 1,652 testimonies submitted for HB 873 in 2015. After removing duplicate testimony, there were a total of 1,455 usable testimonies. This research was presented at an academic conference in October of 2016, and was invited to be part of a special issue journal. The research and findings have since been submitted as a complete manuscript to *Tourism Geographies*, and are currently under peer review. In this letter I will summarize the research findings in attempt to broaden the debate on the importance of the state's marine resources.

This research demonstrated ten emergent themes from the data: sustainability, regulations, legislation (bill quality), economy, user conflict, social benefit, environment, animal welfare, extractive resource use, and culture. There were thematic overlaps in nine of the ten themes from the two positions on the bill (support and oppose). Culture was only referenced by supporters of HB 873. For brevity, I will address only two of the themes in this letter, economy and culture. The findings showed that stakeholder groups must be carefully considered. A previously overlooked group has been tourists as stakeholders in the marine resources. Understanding this stakeholder group should be prioritized as tourism is a critical industry to the state. Spatial demographic data revealed that marine resource user groups extend well outside of Hawai'i, especially for the supporters (those in favor of further regulating and/or banning the aquarium trade) (see Table 1). Support testimony came from nearly every continent and was widely distributed across the USA. This compares to the opposition who was representation was mostly localized to Hawai'i. Monetarily, tourism sales are estimated annually at \$25.2 billion (HTA, 2016), while the aquarium industry has been valued at \$3.2 million (Hawaii Coral Reef Initiative, N.D.). This discrepancy in economic value and impact demonstrates an urgent need to better understand the potentially detrimental impact of the aquarium trade on the state's tourism industry.

Table 1

Spatial demographics of individuals providing public testimony.

Region	Opposition	Supporters
USA Hawai'i	478 (62%)	358 (52%)
USA West (excluding Hawai'i)	12	118
USA Midwest	5	30
USA South	16	36
USA Northeast	1	18
<i>USA (excluding Hawai'i) TOTAL</i>	<i>34 (4%)</i>	<i>202 (30%)</i>
North America (excluding USA)	0	13
Europe	7	36
Africa	0	2
Asia	0	1
Oceania	0	12
<i>GLOBAL TOTAL</i>	<i>7 (1%)</i>	<i>64 (9%)</i>
Not specified	250 (33%)	62 (9%)

Another interesting finding from the research was the reference to Hawaiian culture. Hawai'i is unique, not only geographically, but also culturally. Hawai'i is known for its "Aloha" spirit (Mak, 2015). Culture emerged **only** from supporters' comments. The concept of pono, or righteousness, is commonly discussed and applied in Hawai'i (see Tissot, 2005) and has been used at a community level to successfully enact management practices for the marine environment in the absence of formal rules (Friedlander, Shackeroof, & Kittinger, 2013). In pre-contact Hawai'i, island societies developed and successfully followed complex and effective systems for marine resources management (see Friedlander, Shackeroof, & Kittinger, 2013). As stated by the supporters, of whom some were Native Hawaiian Practitioners, aquarium collection is not a native Hawaiian practice. Culture was not mentioned by the opposition. It is unclear if this element was simply overlooked or purposely avoided. Thus, the description of Tissot (2005), regarding a "classic conflict between the Judeo-Christian worldview that resources are for our use (i.e., the Garden of Eden) and the Hawaiian philosophy of mālama 'āina (caring for the land)" is applicable (p. 89).

As a general summary on the research, the findings revealed that supporters prioritized the social benefit of the collective resource, while the opposition viewed the industry as sustainable and well regulated in its current



state. It is, without doubt, known that healthy reef ecosystems would benefit all marine resource users. However, due to the complexity of the marine ecosystems, the mobility of fish, and other anthropogenic variables (e.g., underreporting, run-off, climate change), limiting the necessary variables to understand the specific impact of the aquarium trade will continue to be difficult. The data showed supporters as having a repetitive concern for the health of the reef ecosystem, identifying the ocean as a social resource worthy of protection. Alternatively, the opposition were concerned of the affects of further regulations on the aquarium industry (e.g., detrimental to *personal* livelihoods and freedoms). If Hawai'i is to remain the "Paradise of the Pacific" (see Mak, 2015), rather than a last-chance tourist destination, urgent attention to the health of the marine resources is needed.

Please pass HB 1457.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brooke A. Porter', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Brooke A. Porter, Ph.D.

Scientific Advisor

Coral Triangle Conservancy

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#### References

Friedlander, A. M., Shackeroff, J. M., & Kittinger, J. N. (2013). Customary marine resource knowledge and use in contemporary Hawai'i. *Pacific Science*, 67(3), 441-460.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Inga Gibson	West Hawaii Humane Society	Support	No

Comments: Dear Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, The West Hawaii Humane Society fully supports HB1457 and the protection of our precious coral reefs. Tens of thousands of our wild reef animals are taken every year to be sent to mainland hobby tanks. Up to 40 percent of these animals will die before arrival and many more within less than a month. Removing these animals from our reefs disrupts our ocean ecosystem and is contrary to Hawaii's values of responsible stewardship of our resources. Further, these animals, if left in their wild environment, bring millions of dollars in tourism to Hawaii. We strongly support every effort to end the destructive commercial aquarium collection trade. Mahalo, Inga Gibson West Hawaii Humane Society 808.922.9910

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clare loprinzi	Birth Sovereignty	Support	No

Comments: It is essential that we protect our kai and all that live there and clean up the mess that is already there

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for Hawai'i**

*Hawai'i's voice for wildlife*

*Kō Hawai'i leo no nā holoholona lōhiu*



Testimony Submitted to the House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources and Hawaiian Affairs  
By the Conservation Council for Hawai'i  
Hearing: Wednesday, February 3, 2017 9:30 am  
Room 312

Support for HB 1457 Relating to Aquatic Life

Chair Ing, Vice Chair Gates, and Members of the Committee,

Aloha. The Conservation Council for Hawai'i supports HB 1457, which requires the Division of Aquatic Resources to promote education about nearshore reef wildlife and to develop a comprehensive plan, programs, and policies for its sustainable management.

Please include an appropriation to do so. The Department of Land and Natural Resources receives less than 1-2 percent of the entire state budget, including federal and private grants. The department's funding is grossly disproportionate to its mandate, which is to protect all of our natural and cultural resources, ceded land, essential watersheds, habitats for rare and endangered species, hunting, gathering, and recreation areas, state parks, and submerged lands.

Please pass HB 1457 and support the division in its public outreach and education programs by making an appropriation to implement this legislation. Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify.

*Marjorie Ziegler*

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Carley Barrick	Snorkel Bob's	Support	No

Comments: Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Robert Wintner	Snorkel Bob's Hawaii	Support	Yes

Comments: Yes, I support HB 1457 with changes to stop the State of Hawaii from issuing any new aquarium collector permits and to put a moratorium on existing permits until DLNR completes a comprehensive sustainable management program with meaningful limits and constraints. In 30 years of Hawaii tourism we have never seen a more flagrant, destructive force than the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Let it fade away.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Joan Lloyd	Snorkel Bob's	Support	No

Comments: Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
De MONT R. D. CONNER	Ho'omana Pono, LLC.	Support	Yes

Comments: We FULLY SUPPORT this bill and pray that it will assist the native Hawaiian communities in prohibiting boating activities that are detrimental to our way of life and/ ability to sustain our reefs by the reckless usage of your boat operators the come out of the Private Boat Harbor in Ko`olina through NANAKULI & Poka'i Bay!

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kurt Lieber	Ocean Defenders Alliance	Comments Only	No

Comments: I wholeheartedly support HB1457. I started scuba diving all the Hawaiian Islands in the early 80's. It was a magical place back then. Now, because of the aquarium extraction industry, the reefs are nowhere near the healthy, vibrant, ecosystems I witnessed in the past. Stopping the taking of reef fish for the aquarium trade will help the reefs recover, and the tourism industry will once again start to thrive. People come to Hawai'i for its beautiful waters, reefs and fish. But with the fish gone, (in most cases only 10% of the populations are left), the divers I know, are going to other dive destinations that have healthy populations of fish. Bring back the fish and the people will come!

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Pete Basabe	Big Island asso. of fishers	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Chair: Kaniela Ing

Vice Chair: Cedric Gates

## **Opposition to HB 1457**

Aloha Committee Members,

Although I agree with the intent of HB 1457, I am petrified that the bill may be changed later on to state that all permits will cease until DLNR completes this comprehensive plan for a sustainable fishery.

Over the past 8 years, my industry and vocation has been on the verge of collapse due to the introduction of anti- tropical fish bills brought on by animal rights activists and concerned legislators – This is one of them !!! This has caused much pain for myself, my family and my workers. Over the past 35 years, I have tried hard to promote responsible husbandry of tropical fish in the islands through both my business- Coral Fish Hawaii and my personal life. If this bill were to pass, with my feared adjustments, this would all vanish. Hawaii would no longer have an alternative to seeing and experiencing the tropical reef environment. No Coral Fish Hawaii. No local fish will be seen in any aquarium !!!

The industry is both sustainable and well regulated. A video was made and distributed to most legislators last month depicting the tropical fish industry. If you haven't seen it, Please take time and review the video.

Because I feel the DLNR is currently monitoring the industry successfully, I feel that this bill not necessary. The tropical fish industry is the most regulated fishery in the state of Hawaii

**I , therefore, oppose HB 1457.**

Thank you for your time and Aloha,

Randy Fernley / Coral Fish Hawaii, Aiea, HI 96701

Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs  
Rep. Kaniela Ing Chair  
Rep. Cedric Asuega Gates Vice Chair

2/02/2017

Aloha, I am opposed to HB 1457

DLNR have all info on populations of species, despite climate and natural degradations. These species survive and strive, if not they would be no species currently. The Ocean is the most misunderstood and yet durable environment. Although the commercial industry do make a profit, tremendous it is not. It is not possible to overfish since DLNR monitor every aspect of this industry.

Now the real problem is outside pressures of selfish constituents who FEELS this industry is different from sustenance fishing. Our industry was the stepping stone to aquaculture laying down many technical data. We are now encountering desperate alternative strategies because rock solid data support our fishing which is the real crux of the matter. The only alternative is to attack other issues for example cruelty to fish, how to catch, transport, maintain and export fish, equipments, boat ramps, boat registration, our aquarium and commercial PERMITS and most important legislative methodologies and loopholes. This last one is ultimate of desperation in destruction of a benign industry. Again, do not let this bill go any further I oppose HB 1457.

Mahalo, Glenn Fukuda



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Judith S. Dronzek	The Scuba Sports Club of Westchester NY	Support	No

Comments: Thank you for taking my comments into consideration as my club is a non/profit scuba diving club and we care about this topic. We love our aquatic environment and oppose any taking of wild life for aquariums. Please protect your beautiful scuba diving, surfing and beautiful islands; as our visits for vacations depend on your decisions. Again thank you for your consideration for support of HB1457  
Regards Judy Dronzek Environmental Director of The Scuba Sports Club of Westchester New York

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Dan Silver	Endangred Habitats League	Support	No

Comments: Endangered Habitats League supports HB1457. Please, no more aquarium permits and freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. The aquarium trade is killing Hawaii reefs. It is long past time to end it. Thank you

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Peter Fugazzotto	Turtle Island Restoration Network	Support	No

Comments: Turtle Island Restoration Network (Turtle Island) would like to express its support for HB1457 and we encourage legislators to implement rules and regulations to protect marine life from the impacts of the commercial aquarium trade. Turtle Island is a non-profit, ocean conservation organization with 81,000 active supporters who have requested to receive information about on-going issues and the opportunity to participate in Turtle Island's advocacy. This number includes over 772 active supporters in Hawaii. We appreciate the opportunity to comment. We are especially concerned about the decline of important species such as the yellow tang which play critical roles in maintaining a healthy reef ecosystem. Additionally, we are concerned that an alteration of habitat by the aquarium industry will impact endangered and threatened sea turtles such as the hawksbill and green sea turtles. We know from our supporters how important a healthy and vibrant marine ecosystem is in whether folks consider Hawaii as a vacation and ecotourism destination. Thank you for considering strong legislation to protect Hawaii's marine resources. Peter Fugazzotto Strategic Programs Director Turtle Island Restoration Network

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Mike Moran	Kihei Community Association	Support	No

Comments: We continue to strongly support reasonable measures to protect Hawaii's natural resources from exploitation, and ask for your support

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James T Lovell	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments:

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gregg norman	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes, I support HB 1457. Please halt all new permits until a sustainable action plan is in place and has guidance, funding.

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Bonnie Hudsick	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Michael Krikorian	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: As a visitor to Hawaii, snorkeling and enjoying the wonder of the marine life is at the top of my list to return. I hope that you do everything that you can to prevent the unsustainable harvesting of reef life - the world is too small and life is too precious to any longer allow the unmanaged harvesting of anything. thank you

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Jennifer Lutje	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Yes, I support HB1457. The aquarium is devastating Hawaii reefs. Time to stop this now!

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Crystal DiMiceli	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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mitzi frank	Individual	Support	No

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Natalie Van Leekwijck	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium trade is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. And freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Ceil Slauson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1457. Please ---No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. I love Hawaii - please protect the AMAZING aquatic life that is UNIQUE to Hawaii from the aquarium trade!

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Magdalena Szaszorowska	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. PLEASE Stop it now. We have little time to protect Hawaii's magnificent reefs and wildlife. 98% of the animals sold in the aquarium trade are wild animals stolen from their natural habitat. And this trade is decimating Hawaiian reefs! PLEASE put in common sense rules to protect fish and other marine wildlife from the aquarium. I support HB 1457 and want the strongest regulations in place!

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I spend thousands of dollars each year with one goal in mind—snorkel to see fish and the reef wildlife throughout Hawaii. The money I spend reaches business throughout the islands and enriches the economy. I've bought real estate and invested in these islands purely to snorkel as often as I can.

When I learned about the unrestricted capture of reef species for commercial sale, I was horrified. I began to understand why so many once bustling snorkel sites seemed empty of fish when I returned. This harvest for short term gain will threaten the tourism economy that brings millions to the state.

But more than this, right is right. The reefs are our treasure, and it goes against everything we know is right to strip mine this treasure for cash.

Mahalo.

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Kathleen Hendrix	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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John Oosthuizen	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This bill isn't necessary. It targets one ocean user group. What about dive charters, snorkel charters, reef fishermen, golf courses, etc. as these also affect the reefs.

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Suzuki Cady	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! Please develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Thank you!

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Diane	Individual	Support	No

Comments: To all present, I have been diving the Hawaiian reef system for over 15 years, primarily in Maui. The reefs have degraded steadily all those years. The fish populations have been drastically reduced primarily by aquarium collectors to a fraction of what it was 15 years ago. Please issue no more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Ban the aquarium trade now! Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! The aquarium industry is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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David Hamilton	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! I have vacationed in Hawaii many times and plan to do so in the future. Diving and snorkeling are an important part of my experience, and those activities are useless without healthy reefs and sea life. The aquarium trade enriches few people at the expense of the many.

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Mark Hamilton	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I have enjoyed traveling to Hawaii many times and have often dived along the beautiful beaches of Maui, Kauai, and Hawaii. I can still get a smile remembering a dive early in my experience off a Maui beach in which I never got deeper than 20 ft as I swam in a cove among a dense school of thousands of gentle and beautiful coral reef fish. Please do not allow short-term selfish interests to deplete the natural abundance of your coastal waters. Please stop the aquarium trade; the small economic gain for just a few people is not worth it to your state.

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Gordon Beebe	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I visited Kauai last March, and was dismayed at how few tropical fish were in the reefs, compared to a previous visit in 2000. I am writing in support HB1457. Please do not issue more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Thank you!

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Brian Field	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please do the compassionate thing, support HB 1457 and ban the aquarium trade. Thank you for your consideration of this request, Brian Field

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Please stop the aquarium trade. The Hawaiian wildlife; specifically the ocean, the turtles, the fish and the whales are the main reason my family travels to Hawaii. We regularly visit, once or twice a year to this majestic place. Please support HB1457 and do not allow any animals to be taken for the aquarium trade.

Sincerely,

Colleen Joseph



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sallyabrams	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Michael White	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife! The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs.

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Sheryl Dunn	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Every time I have visited Hawaii I have been in awe of the beauty of the reefs. I cannot image anyone would want to or allow damage to such gorgeous examples of nature.

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Julie Schmitt-Larson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Fiona Stuart	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Marc Walske	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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chris westin	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now

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VL Brandt	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We're in the midst of the Sixth Great Mass Extinction. We cannot keep capturing and destroying wildlife. Please freeze existing permits and stop the export of Hawaiian reef wildlife now!

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A. Todd	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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lesley boyko	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. I have been To Hawaii many times. I didn't realize aquarium fish came from the wild. It's not worth the destruction of the reefs.

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Sheree Goecke	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits should be issued and a freeze in all existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan is needed. The aquarium trade is killing off Hawaii's reefs and the live exports of Hawaii reef wildlife needs to be immediately banned.

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Kathleen Grisham	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. The fish belong on he reefs.

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Georgia Braithwaite	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Sheryl Sussbauer	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Please do not allow more aquarium permits! Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, SUSTAINABLE management plan. You/we need to Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium trade is killing Hawaii reefs. Please stop it now.

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doug krause	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now!

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michelle anderson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Support sustainable reefs. Stop permitting aquarium extraction!

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Heather Dale	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits that so damage Hawaii's gorgeous and rare organisms. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Donnie Benson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please ban live export of Hawaii's reef life. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. I have been to Hawaii several times and have enjoyed the snorkeling. The first time was in 2000, and I was amazed at the numbers and varieties of fish in the reefs. The second time was last year, and I was amazed at the dramatic decline in the quality of the reefs, the numbers of fish and varieties of species. It appeared as a holocaust to me. Please do everything you can to maintain the health of all reefs!

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Sue Horwood	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Timothy Mullen	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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D Schoech	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Protect Hawaii's reefs.

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Ben Pamenari	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium trade is cheap money. Hawaii has a history. The history of Hawaii is not to sell its natural resource for cheap money. The history of Hawaii and the Hawaiian people is preservation and conservation. The future of Hawaii is in long-term, healthy tourism. People want to see the beauty of Hawaii. And the Oceans of Hawaii are one of the most beautiful things on Earth. Tourism brings good quality money, long-term money. Every fish that is taken from Hawaii will never have a chance to reproduce. The fish die during transition, they die at the store, they die at people's homes. They will never come back to Hawaii. Hawaii is the future. Hawaii is the leader of the Tropical World. Hawaii will set an example. Thank you, Ben Pamenari Ex-Aquarium Owner

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B. Stanberry	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Mary Ann McFarland	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1457. The aquarium trade is destroying Hawaiian reef wildlife, and this must stop before it is too late for populations to recover.

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Nemo	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Svetlana Malova	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Ellen McCann	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Robert Long	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB 1457. The aquarium trade should be abolished - it upsets the ecological balance in sensitive tropical reef systems.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Amy Rafiee	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes, I support HB1457. Please stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now. Our planet and wildlife need your help. Thank you for your assistance.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Eryn Cook	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now

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Michael Braude	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes, I support HB1457. It is critical to protect Hawaii's reefs from the aquarium trade and keep wildlife in their natural habitat. Please support HB1457 and freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Marianne Pedretti	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Randall Collins	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1457. Please, do not issue any more aquarium permits and freeze existing permits until DLNR develops a comprehensive management plan that is sustainable. Hawaii's reefs are being harmed.

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anita wintner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support HB 1457. Permits sold for the aquarium trade should have ended long ago. I am an avid snorkeler and see the reefs in decline. The surgeon fish clean the coral to keep it healthy and are being shipped out of Hawaii by the millions. Tourism brings in so much money to the state that we need to have healthy reefs for many reasons. The damage done by the aquarium trade has never been studied to see the result. STOP SELLING PERMIT NOW!!

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Jane Nicholson	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I wish to request that fewer aquarium permits be issued. This is creating a problem for the health of coral reefs. And there is evidence to this effect. As a frequent visitor to Hawaii, and someone who visits uniquely for its water resources, I feel strongly about this. Habitat protections helps all species thrive, ultimately.

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Anthony Donncii	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Based on the level of destruction of Hawaii's reefs, I would like to see the strongest controls possible implemented, such as no more aquarium permits, freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan or simply stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife altogether. Economic gain for a few is not worth destruction of an entire ecosystem.

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Joseph Patton	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Delay equals damage.

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Alan Lewis	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457 to minimize aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. My earlier work (Lewis, 1964 – Caligid copepods of Hawaiian fishes) included work on fishes now being harvested for aquaria. Loss of these fishes, over time, has and will continue to harm both the reefs and the enjoyment of tourists visiting the reefs.

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Marcey Lachance	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now!

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Deirdra Rogers	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. or

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Georgia Irby	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Linda Herron	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB 1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until the DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Aida Marina	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I Support HB 1457 and want the strongest regulations in place to stop the purging of Hawaii's reefs by the Greedy and Deep Pockets.

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Shannon Catt	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Steve Johns	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am looking to you to protect the life and ecosystems of Hawaii's beautiful reefs. Reef life should be for photographers to bring to us, or for divers to visit (one of my most superb lifetime experiences!), not for sport killing or commercial capture!

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Deborah Richerson	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Ban the aquarium trade now! Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. Thank you.

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Janine Perlman	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We have visited Hawaii many times, and snorkeling is probably the most magical aspect of being there. Just in the past 30 years we have noticed considerable degradation and loss of health, numbers and diversity of fish, corals, and other creatures. PLEASE allow the reefs to recover! PLEASE give them the strongest possible protections!!

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Amy Niles	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please stop killing fish!!!!

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Evelyn Ball	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Ban the aquarium trade now! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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Cara Nims	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Hawaii needs to stop reef wildlife exporting. Aquariums are killing Hawaii's reefs. Ban the aquarium trade. Please support HB1457#. Thank you.

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Susan Gottfried	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Jeffrey Shivar	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Kathleen Dempsey	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I urge you to stop the export of live reef wildlife in Hawaii. I have enjoyed viewing it when there and hope to preserve it for my grandchildren to enjoy in the wild as well as for others.

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Sasha Tyburski	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. I want to visit Hawaii but I will not if this does not pass.

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Kelly Sarah Connolly	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! The planet is fast diminishing the reef is vital to the survival of the ocean, is the wildlife, the ice caps and thus to land and humans. Please leave this beautiful lifesaving peace of the planet alone before it and us are gone forever. No living creature however small should be taken away from its home and family. They don't kidnap us so leave them where they belong.

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Lisa Koehl	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. PLEASE Stop it now.

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Christina Kionka	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Yes, I support HB 1457. Aquariums are killing Hawaii's reefs. Protect this precious resource!

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Juli Kring	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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KOLBY SIMPSON	Individual	Support	No

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Robin Craft	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife NOW! The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Anastasia Hunter	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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cassio saverino	Individual	Support	No

Comments: HB1457 As an annual visitor to your wonderful island, I have done so because of the great sea life I can witness as a snorkeler and a scuba diver. Protection to the environment that you can legislatively provide not only is good for the islands and its reefs, but will continue to attract folks like me who are lucky enough to be able to travel and partake in your islands beauty. Please pass this measure. Thank you Cassio A Saverino

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Steve Prince	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Randy Smith	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My wife and I have been SCUBA diving at sites of South Maui two to three times a year since 1994. We know many of these sites as well as we know the inside of our home. The decrease we have personally observed in the volume and variety of reef fish life at all sites over the past 23 years is absolutely shocking. The aquarium collection trade is KILLING THE DIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S REEF SYSTEMS! It absolutely cannot be allowed to continue! I support a complete ban on all new aquarium permits, and freeze on all existing permits until the time the DNLR can come up with a reasonable and enforceable management plan.

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sergio	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES! I totally support the HB1457. Animals have rights too, they shouldn't be stolen from their natural habitat, unless if they are facing extinction. We have to protect them, always. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. its time to stop it.

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elizabeth villano	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. We need to stop commercializing nature, stealing fish from ecosystems where they are an integral part, just for our temporary benefit!! We need to start supporting natural systems instead of destroying them for our fishtanks. Even childrens movies have this point down (Finding Nemo)--- when will our congresspeople embody a lesson children already get?

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Walter Kuciej	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. It's necessary to protect Hawaii's irreplaceable marine wildlife and coral reefs. Thank you.

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Mark M Giese	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Thank you.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Penny Lane	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose this bill. This is just a ban against a state deemed sustainable fishery. Every year it is the same request of a ban disguised under a different bill number, typically introduced via a new Maui representative who received maximum donations from the radical anti fishing Eco terrorists of Wailea and Makena. The state DLNR reports to the legislature of its findings every 5 years, and has accurate species data collected over the last few decades. Do your homework, educate yourself and quit putting repeat bills up for hearing year after year. This only wastes state time, money, and shows how inefficient government is due to the request of the bill being something the state has done for decades. Wake up, and start telling your constituents that they are too emotional with their argument and try again once science is on their side.

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Cindy Coker	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes, I support HB1457! The aquarium trade is killing the Hawaiian reefs, and of course, the fish themselves. Stop it NOW!

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Melanie Hall	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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Lindsay Mugglestone	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Maria Falcon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits til DLNR develops a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Or Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! Or YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Debra Hirschfeld	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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Peter Wood	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I visit Hawaii once a year - I LOVE it! I also SUPPORT HB1457! Ban the aquarium trade now! Thank you!

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Shannon Schmit	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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stephanie bunce	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Ann Marks	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I completely support HB1457 and every effort should be made to develop a sustainable plan for Hawaii's reef wildlife. Halt and ban the aquarium trade now - this trade is purely monetary and, like locust, will deplete and destroy Hawaii's beautiful natural reef!

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Rhonda Kess	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: As a student of zoology, I have studied the marine life surrounding the islands of Hawaii. Many of these species are keystone species, keeping a balance for not just the marine life but the marine plant life as well. The balance of one depends on the balance of the other. If this balance is upset, there will be a backdown effect.

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Holly Carter	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1457. The aquarium trade is robbing reefs around the world of their residents and Hawaii is no exception. I have such fond memories of my two visits to your lovely state. I was so impressed by the endless natural beauty. Please protect the wildlife making your reefs their homes by supporting this legislation.

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Marisa Landsberg	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please use the strongest laws possible

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Marc Aleep	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Krystin Nitta	Individual	Support	No

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William Swanson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Ban the aquarium trade.

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Phillip Hope	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Tracy A Marotta	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Belinda Dodd	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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Josh Lew	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. It is important to protect the reefs and all that they inhabit.

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Frank Schiwal	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass this bill, and help support the sustained beauty of the Hawaii reef ecosystem. We love visiting the wonderful area and seeing the fish and other wildlife either by snorkeling or viewing from wakeboards. Thank you, Frank Schiwal Layton, UT

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Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members,

I am a scientist and have been working on sustainability issues all my life, most recently on fishery improvement projects. I got certified as Scuba Instructor in Hawaii and during my more than 600 dives around the Hawaiian Islands, many times equipped with my UW camera, I learned even more to appreciate the abundance of our reefs.

Reefs are already increasingly threatened by factors like global warming, ocean acidification, and land-based pollution. In addition, reef wildlife, primarily herbivores are being removed in unlimited numbers for aquarium purposes. Tangs or surgeonfishes are proven to be vital for reef balance, reef resilience and recovery as they prevent excess algae growth.

The targeted wildlife is juvenile Yellow Tangs which are more susceptible to cumulative trauma, like injuries, stress, starvation, toxic chemicals, and poor water conditions during a long and complex supply chain. Many die and to offset the losses, more fish are taken. Reported landings of 2010 are 990 000 with catch report compliance low and regulations unenforced. The removal of wildlife impacts the health of our reefs.

Our reefs are imperative not only for Hawaiian culture and values but also for one of the state's largest industries, tourism. The economic value of healthy reefs for the local people by far surpasses the value of a trade that removes wildlife in unlimited numbers and for free and serves an off-island entertainment industry. It is in contrast to our Aloha spirit and not pono.

Food fisheries in Hawai'i are managed by catch quota, monitoring protocol and mandatory dealer reports. Other reef wildlife is protected by law like corals, as it is unlawful to break, damage or take corals from Hawaiian waters.

I support bill HB 1457 to ensure a sustainable future for Hawaii reefs; end new aquarium permits with a moratorium on existing permits pending a comprehensive plan for sustainable management.

Thank you,

Susanne Spiessberger, PhD

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Henry Sak	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Oceans and wildlife first: I fully support HB1457.

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Comments: YES, I support HB1457.

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ruth riordan	Individual	Support	No

Comments: • YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. • YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! • Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! • YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Pam Gray	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Endemic species in the waters around Hawaii need protection from collectors. They are already rare. CITES doesn't protect in-country trafficking of rare animals, so you have to do it yourselves. I am a frequent visitor to Hawaii and spend a lot of money on each trip (necessarily). I really regret having come too late to see your endemic birds, which were never properly protected and are now almost all extinct. Please don't make the same mistake with your marine species. Aside from being a crime against world biodiversity, the thousands of divers that come to Hawaii to get a look at these rare species will lose interest, since aside from the endemics, Hawaii is not a great place to dive compared to hundreds of other places in the world. So, financially, if not morally, you should protect these organisms. Thanks you for doing the right thing.

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bronwen evans	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am writing to let you know the following: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. Please do the right thing and support this. Thank you b.Evans

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Deane Plaister	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Stop the aquarium permits! Develop a comprehensive plan to protect dwindling reef fish populations so Hawaiians and visitors can appreciate them in their natural habitat as I have done. Healthy reefs are key to healthy oceans. Save the fish! Thank you.

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George Hasapidis	Individual	Support	No

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Lorien Smyer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Please stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife.

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marilyn evenson	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I have visited Hawaii & it is a beautiful state. I am asking you to keep it pristine & beautiful with all its wildlife & the environment & oceans in which they live. Please ban the aquarium trade. No more permits & place a freeze on the current ones until more impact studies are done. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife. When all this is gone because of man's exploitation, it is gone forever.

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Linda Switzer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1457. Freeze aquarium permits until a comprehensive, sustainable management plan is developed. My children live in Hawaii, so I very often visit HI and experience the natural world there. The reefs and all ocean wildlife there are unique and precious. They must be protected for all time. Please stop the export of Hawaii's reef wildlife. Thank you.

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Vivian S. Toellner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Again I testify that every time I go snorkeling here on the Island of Hawaii the kinds and numbers of Reef fish are dwindling. Please protect Hawaii's unique and valuable natural resources. Financially bringing the people to the fish, makes more dollars for the State economy than sending the fish to the people. Can I pick the flowers from public places and sell...I would never steal them or deny others the beauty of Hawaii. Most sincerely, Aloha & Mahalo

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Sue Lavelle	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Please freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Hawaii's reefs and marine wildlife need your protection. Support HB1457 now! Thank you.

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Roxane Stewart	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Sherrill Futrell	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It's outrageous that the State of Hawaii has allowed the destruction of your reef life FOR DECADES. I have been coming to swim and dive in Hawaii since 1966 and have seen a dramatic and sickening decline in that time in the number and variety of reef fish everywhere. I stopped going to Maui and Kauai 5 years ago because there were so few fish there to see. I can always go back to Cozumel and Cayman if you continue to allow this degradation in Kona. As it is, I come for two weeks 4-5 times a year to Kona to dive and snorkel, but I'm tired of seeing fewer fish each time. YES, I support HB1457. Stop giving out the aquarium permits and freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management AND ENFORCEABLE plan. I'd be happy if you banned the aquarium trade entirely. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now or this haole is going to the Caribbean forever. I think it's disgraceful that you have hurt Hawaii's bounty given by God, and done it for money.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
JC Thomas	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We can not allow buisness consideration over anything else regarding wildlife in a time when we know the devastating effects of such actions. It s time to fight hard for what's left of the marine ecosystem and having people understand that marine creatures do not belong in a confined water tank for their amusement is a big part of the battle. Your island and it's waters are a treasure, please treat them as such and don't let greed win over life. Regards, JC Thomas

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Jo Evans	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a frequent visitor to your beautiful state, I wish to state that YES, I support HB1457. YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium trade is harmful to reefs and wildlife.

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Michael Talbot	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The taking of wildlife from its environment always diminishes the complex web of life. Freeze the permit process until a sustainable and enforceable plan can be developed by DLNR.

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Ruth Siekevitz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: HB 1457 is so needed. Reefs are so important for the life in the ocean. This is for Hawaii's future!

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Ed Gould	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Christine Stewart	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support HB1457- we must protect Hawaii's reef wildlife from collection and exploitation by the aquarium trade. The reef may be damaged during pursuit of specimens, and the animals themselves maybe injured or even die during collection and transportation.

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Lynn Manheim	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1457, which would prevent the issuance of any more aquarium permits, and freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. The aquarium trade, which is killing Hawaii reefs, should be banned, as should live export of Hawaii reef wildlife.

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Paula Baker DVM	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As an animal lover, a veterinarian, and scuba diver for over 25 yrs , I have seen the distruction of reefs over fished and not protected. Please ban the aquarium industry from harvesting from Hawaii's shores. Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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Cecelia Samp	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please support this bill and protect Hawaii's reefs and wildlife. It makes no sense to allow this destruction just for an industry to make money. Please protect your treasures. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Gillian Miller	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. 98% of the animals sold in the aquarium trade are wild animals stolen from their natural habitat. And this trade is decimating Hawaiian reefs! The reefs cannot cope with this type of pressure and the marine life will become extinct. The loss to the reef is incalculable and will help destroy it. As it is an important tourist attraction as well as essential for the health of the ocean then it must be preserved.

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Steve Banks	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support the bill and to greatly limit the collection of reef fish, coral and reef organisms from the waters of Hawaii.

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Loretta Harnarine	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: You must do what is necessary to protect all the reef wildlife that is currently available. We do not want these animals to be in anyone's aquarium. So please stop giving out permits for aquariums.

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Kathy Kelly	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please pass this bill. Thank you

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Michelle Estling	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. We own a small scuba diving and snorkeling business and we have watched the fish and sea life numbers decline through the years. We need to protect our number one resource for which tourists come to these islands. Please eliminate aquarium collection and regulate all other forms of seal life removal from our ocean. Please do this now before it is too late. Mahalo!

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Marnie Gaede	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Elizabeth Scherbak	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Please do not destroy Hawaii wildlife. Please ban the aquarium trade. Snorkeling Hawaii is so incredible.

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Line Ringgaard	Individual	Support	No

Comments: -YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. - YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! -Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! -YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. Sincerely, Line Ringgaard

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M. Kratschmer	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Ban the aquarium trade now!

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Susan K LoFurno	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Ban the aquarium trade now! Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now

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Mark Hollinrake	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Jessica Herbert	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Re: HB1457...I support this bill to halt all new Aquarium permits and freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive sustainable management plan.

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Paul R. Kelly	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My family travels to Hawaii annually. The primary purpose of our travel is to enjoy the ocean and the marine life that it supports. It makes no sense to remove marine life from Hawaii for private commercial gain. I spend a significant sum of money on food, travel , accomodations, and scuba charters. I want to be assured that the marine life I enjoy will be there the next time I visit.

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kathleen reifke	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Yes I support HB 1457. The aquarium trade is decimating the reefs, a major draw for many tourists not to mention the residents. Thank You.

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Sara Gann	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: The aquarium trade is killing Hawaiian reefs. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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oscar bird	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1457. I support banning the aquarium trade from taking wildlife from the reefs.

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Bruce McCarter	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: The aquarium industry is heavily contributing to the destruction of Hawaii's reefs. Please support HB1457 so that our fish and other reef creatures can be protected in a sustainable way. Thank you.

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Faye	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457; the aquarium is killing Hawaii's reefs. Thank you.

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Faye	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457; the aquarium is killing Hawaii's reefs. Thank you.

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Michelle Hayward	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I have always wanted to visit Hawaii. However thanks to the aquarium trade there will be nothing left to see soon. So.... YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Cassandra Lista	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Support HB 1457. No more permits. Freeze current permits until sustainable management plans developed.

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Leyna Casey	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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sofia gustafs	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits Thank you!

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dawne santopietro	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support HB1457. Stronger regulations are needed to protect the magnificent reefs. Please do not let greedy people destroy the beauty and integrity of the reefs. Loss of reef populations would mean loss of tourist dollars too, as this is a main attraction for many visiting the Islands. Moreover it would further destroy the delicate balance of nature that is so fragile today, posing grave dangers for our Planet. Thank You

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Sara Nunez	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Rob Parker	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now!

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Sharon F Wager MD	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife Now! I expect to come see Hawaii very soon. I don't want it to be ruined by exportation of all the wildlife I am coming to see.

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Cherrie Kerwell	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am writing to ask that the Hawaiian legislature put in common sense rules to protect fish and other marine wildlife from the aquarium. The aquarium trade is decimating Hawaiian reefs. I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Ban the aquarium trade now! Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. Thank you.

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Marce Walsh	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Ban the aquarium trade now! Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. We must take better care of our oceans and reefs and do all we can to protect them. Once they're gone, they're gone.

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Tori	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Jane Burgess	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I do not want Hawaii reef wildlife to continue being decimated. I urge you to please ban the aquarium trade.

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Karen Vasily	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Thank you for your consideration.

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Sarai Porretta	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. I support stopping the live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Susie McCleary	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. I lived in Hawaii back in early 80's for 3 years and the islands were just amazing and the sea life so special please don't destroy what God created. Thank you!

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Jodi Rodar	Individual	Support	No

Comments: To Whom it May Concern; Please support HB1457 and ban all aquarium trade. Please do all you can to stop the cruelty and depletion of the wildlife. Thank you for your time and consideration of this important issue. Sincerely, Dr. Jodi Rodar

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Jesse Williams	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Reefs are important. Hawaii's are finite and rare. Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Stanley Barreto	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Audrey Patton	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Barbara Orr	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Kelsey Love-Meister	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits! The aquarium is killing Hawaiian reefs. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive sustainable management plan.

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Shayla Middleton	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. or YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! or Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! or YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Kristy Rotermund	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB 1457 and want the strongest regulations in place. Thank You

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Mark Farmer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As someone who teaches visiting college students about the importance of coral reef ecology I support HB1457. I urge you to freeze existing permits until the DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Lynette R	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now!

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Nancy Gregory	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Harriet Cohen	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please protect Hawaii's magnificent reefs and wildlife. 98% of the animals sold in the aquarium trade are wild animals stolen from their natural habitat. This trade is decimating Hawaiian reefs! YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now. Respectfully, Harriet E. Cohen

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Martha Buchan	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. I strongly urge legislators to freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. We need to stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now so that the reefs can be maintained for generations to come. Please work to develop common sense rules to protect fish and other marine wildlife from the aquarium. Thank you for your consideration of my comments. Best Regards, Martha Buchan

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Richard Stern	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. YES, I support HB1457. Ban the aquarium trade now! Yes! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Jana Perinchief	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB1457. As a frequent visitor to the paradise that is Hawaii, I believe there should be no more aquarium permits issued, and that it is imperative to stop the live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! I request that you please freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Please save Hawaii for future generations!

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Alison V. Reed	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits til DLNR develops a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Jessica Case	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes, I support HB1457. There should be no more aquarium permits and the state should freeze existing permits until DLNR develops a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Thank you.

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Tracy Lauterman	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Yes I support HB1457 Ban aquarium trade NOW!!!!!!

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michael lauterman	Individual	Support	No

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Peter Riva	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. Look, it is simple, beyond the obvious wanton destruction of the reefs. Hawaii is dependent on the tourism trade. if you destroy the reefs, if you allow continuing pillage of your natural resource that attracts those tourists, ALL of Hawaii will suffer economically.

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Rob Simonsen	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan.

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Ronald S. Fujiyoshi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This bill is necessary to preserve the natural beauty of Hawaii while recognizing the rights of our host people to practice their customary traditions. Keep Hawaii Hawaii so we can all continue to admire its beauty!

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Keith Christie	Individual	Comments Only	No

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Douglas Miller	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Ban the aquarium trade now!

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Douglas Miller	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Marie Le Boeuf	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Sirs/ Mesdames, From someone who has been diving since 1985 (moved to Maui in 1999), please heed my words. Before arriving on Maui, I traveled the world and also ended up living long-term in 6 different countries- fantastic scuba diving employment opportunities were the reason (lucky me!). From my first dive where I grew up- a freshwater Michigan Lake- to raging oceans in the Indo Pacific to 2 mile deep trenches in the Gulf of Aqaba, I have been lucky enough to experience our water world that few have. Because of these amazing opportunities, I believe I understand the needs of the reefs and eco-systems of the worlds oceans, especially Hawaii. (I produced a documentary about Hawaii's near-shore reefs- 2005 - Oasis of the Pacific: Time is Running Out). Thank you in advance for choosing to act on this information in a way to help change history. Yes, I do believe a decision regarding the following, can change history. I believe an immediate moratorium on ALL aquarium trade activities are crucial to the health of all of Hawaii's near shore waters. Please consider doing all in your power to stop the extraction of reef wildlife from Maui county. No matter legal or not, taking ANY of the critters from this day forward could be the nail in the coffin for our reefs! Please go snorkel and check it out for yourselves! The reefs are in peril! ALL extraction from the near-shore waters of Maui county needs to stop now if our reefs are to survive! Please, please make this a priority. Mahalo nui loa for your consideration, With Aloha, Marie F. LeBoeuf 2441 S. Kihei Rd. A204 Kihei, Hawaii 96753 mauimarie2012@gmail.com 808.495.7222 (A note I wrote on facebook today) "Very happy to say that snorkeling and scuba diving from the shore on the East Coast of Bali is still a remarkable experience. The last time I was there was almost 20 years ago (lived and worked as a divemaster in Amed for 6 mo's). Today, the reefs are not as pristine as they once were (unfortunately the plastic pollution and the sheer number of people using sewer systems is an obvious issue) but they are still healthy and literally teeming with fish and other critters! Snorkeling at 'Ahihi-Kina'u Reserve- a 100% no-take, protected area here in Makena- is such a contrast to how it was 15 years ago! The

reefs are in bad shape- too much is algae covered and rarely do you see any really large fish. Plus I remember observing large schools of juvenile bluefin trevallies cruising the reefs on every dive. There was also much more diversity e.g. lots of unicorn fish and several different kinds of wrasse. It wasn't unusual to see a very large great barracuda or a couple of white-tip reef sharks just hanging out at about 25 feet. Now it really isn't that much different than Kam Point. It is obvious to me what is happening and it is unconscionable! The aquarium trade is literally raping our near-shore waters! 98% of saltwater aquarium fish are WILD CAUGHT! PLEASE get educated and stop supporting the aquarium trade. If you think it's horrible for the whales and dolphins to be trapped and subdued and enslaved in tanks for amusement, you're on the right track. The reef critters deserve to live out their lives in their homes as well (not to mention the fact that none of us will live if the reefs die- the ocean herself will perish)."

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De MONT R. D. CONNER	Ho'omana Pono, LLC.	Support	Yes

Comments: We FULLY SUPPORT this bill and pray that it will assist the native Hawaiian communities in prohibiting boating activities that are detrimental to our way of life and/ ability to sustain our reefs by the reckless usage of your boat operators the come out of the Private Boat Harbor in Ko`olina through NANAKULI & Poka'i Bay!

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aerie waters	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457 (or SB1240). No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. or YES, I support SB1240 (or HB1457). Ban the aquarium trade now! or Yes! I support HB1457 (or SB1240). Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! or YES, I support SB1240 (or HB1457). The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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florencia cudicio	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. The aquarium is killing Hawaii reefs. Stop it now.

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Stephanie Manera	Individual	Support	No

Comments: YES, I support HB1457. No more aquarium permits. Freeze existing permits until DLNR can develop a comprehensive, sustainable management plan. Ban ALL aquarium trade now! I support HB1457. Stop live export of Hawaii reef wildlife now! The aquarium companies both private and businesses, and those that collect our native reef fishes are killing Hawaii reefs, the eco system and surrounding sea life. Stop it now.

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