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TESTIMONY BY LAUREL A. JOHNSTON
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON WATER AND LAND, AGRICULTURE AND
ENVIRONMENT, AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
ON
HOUSE BILL NO. 2547, H.D. 2

March 19, 2018
2:45 p.m.
Room 224

RELATING TO SUSTAINABILITY

House Bill No. 2547, H.D. 2, establishes the following: the Hawaii Sustainability Act; the Office of Sustainability; and the State Sustainability Special Fund (SSSF). The measure also appropriates an unspecified amount of general funds for FY 19 to be deposited into the SSSF to be expended on seven positions (six of which are newly authorized and one to be transferred from the Office of Planning) and to fund the operations of the new office.

The Department of Budget and Finance, as a matter of general policy, does not support the creation of any special fund which does not meet the requirements of Section 37-52.3, HRS. Special funds should: 1) serve a need as demonstrated by the purpose, scope of work and an explanation why the program cannot be implemented successfully under the general fund appropriation process; 2) reflect a clear nexus between the benefits sought and charges made upon the users or beneficiaries or a clear link between the program and the sources of revenue; 3) provide an appropriate means of financing for the program or activity; and 4) demonstrate the capacity to be financially self-sustaining. In regards to House Bill No. 2547, H.D. 2, it is difficult to determine whether the proposed special fund would be self-sustaining.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.



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Statement of
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before the
**SENATE COMMITTEES ON WATER AND LAND, AGRICULTURE AND
ENVIRONMENT, AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**
Monday, March 19, 2018
2:45 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 224
in consideration of
HB 2547, HD 2
RELATING TO SUSTAINABILITY.

Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim, Vice Chairs Riviere and Ruderman, and Members of the Committees.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) **supports the intent** of House Bill 2547, HD2, provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact the priorities indicated in the Executive Budget. HB2547, HD2, establishes the Hawaii Sustainability Act, including an office of sustainability, and a state sustainability special fund. DBEDT offers the following comments and amendments.

DBEDT supports the development of a legal framework to serve as a foundation for the State of Hawaii's sustainability practices, in addition to the Hawaii State Planning Act's sustainability priority guidelines and principles set forth in Hawaii Revised Statutes §226-108. HB2547, HD2, also establishes an Office of Sustainability with seven permanent positions within DBEDT and appropriates an unspecified amount of general funds to be deposited in a state sustainability special fund.

If the committee intends to move this measure forward, DBEDT suggests the following **amendments**:

- 1) Establishing the Office of Sustainability to be a part of the Department of Business and Economic Development, and Tourism for administrative purposes, using the following language to amend subsection (a), page 7, of HB2547, HD2:

(a) There is established within the department of business, economic development, and tourism, an office of sustainability, for administration purposes, to increase economic development, while developing and protecting resources in a manner that enables individuals to meet current needs and ensures that future generations can also meet their needs, from the joint perspective of environmental, economic, and community objectives through collaboration and cooperation between the public and private sectors.

2) Clarifying the appointment process for the director of the office of sustainability, under subsection (b), page 8, lines 1-3 of HB2547, HD2:

(b) The director shall be nominated by the governor and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the governor without regard to chapter 76 and shall be compensated at a rate determined by the governor. The director shall report to the director of business, economic development, and tourism, and shall not be required to report directly to any other principal executive department.

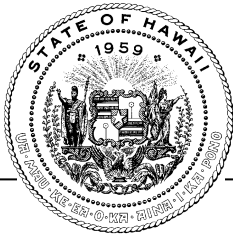
3) Allowing the office of sustainability to create rules subject to Chapter 91 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The office of sustainability shall adopt, amend, or repeal rules relating to matters within its jurisdiction in the manner prescribed in chapter 91.

4) Deleting the establishment of the State Sustainability Special Fund, while allowing the office to collect of investment earnings, gifts, donations, other income, rebates, grants, incentives, and capital appropriations. We note that if funds are made available to the office of sustainability, the office may administratively establish a new account or fund pursuant to HRS §37-40 and §37-52.5.

5) Suggesting that the positions and operating costs be General Funded rather than Special Funded to save on personnel costs.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments in support of HB2547, HD2.



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Statement of
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**SENATE COMMITTEES ON WATER AND LAND, AGRICULTURE AND
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in consideration of
HB 2547, HD 2
RELATING TO SUSTAINABILITY.

Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim, Vice Chairs Gabbard, Riviere, and Ruderman, and Members of the Senate Committees on Water and Land, Agriculture and Environment, and Government Operations.

The Office of Planning supports House Bill 2547, HD 2, provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact the priorities indicated in the Executive Budget. HB 2547, HD 2 establishes the "Hawaii Sustainability Act," including an office of sustainability, and a state sustainability special fund. HB 2547, HD 2 establishes a legal framework to serve as a foundation for the State of Hawaii's sustainability practices in addition to the Hawaii State Planning Act's sustainability priority guidelines and principles set forth in HRS § 226-108. HB 2547, HD 2 also establishes an office of sustainability within DBEDT and appropriates a blank amount in general funds to be deposited in a state sustainability special fund.

Pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) § 226-108 and the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2016, the Office of Planning recently filled a new sustainability coordinator position in 2017 to establish statewide sustainability planning and implementation of our state's sustainability goals and policies.

The Office of Planning supports the development of a legal framework and foundation to assist the development and implementation of sustainability planning, practices, and projects statewide.

The Office of Planning notes that the introducer's intention was to establish this proposed office as an attached agency to the department, and offers the following amendments:

- 1) Establish the office of sustainability to be a part of the department of business, economic development, and tourism, for administrative purposes, as an attached agency.
- 2) Require the director's appointment to be nominated by the governor and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, by clarifying the appointment process for the director of the office of sustainability, under subsection (b), page 8, lines 1-3 of HB 2547, HD 2:

The director shall be nominated by the governor and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the governor without regard to chapter 76 and shall be compensated at a rate determined by the governor. The director shall report to the director of business, economic development, and tourism, and shall not be required to report directly to any other principal executive department.

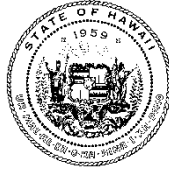
- 3) Allow the office of sustainability to create rules subject to HRS Chapter 91 by adding:

The office of sustainability shall adopt, amend, or repeal rules relating to matters within its jurisdiction in the manner prescribed in chapter 91.

- 4) Deleting the establishment of the State Sustainability Special Fund, while allowing the office to collect of investment earnings, gifts, donations, other income, rebates, grants, incentives, and capital appropriations. Should these funds be made available to the office of sustainability, the office may administratively establish a new account or fund pursuant to HRS § 37-40 and § 37-52.5.
- 5) Recommend that the positions and operating costs of the office of sustainability be General Funded rather than Special Funded to save on personnel costs.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer support on HB 2547, HD 2.

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TESTIMONY
OF
SARAH ALLEN, ADMINISTRATOR
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES
ON
WATER AND LAND,
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT,
AND
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
March 19, 2018, 2:45 p.m.
HOUSE BILL 2547, HD2
RELATING TO SUSTAINABILITY

Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim; Vice Chairs Gabbard, Riviere, and Ruderman; and members of the committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 2547, HD2. The State Procurement Office supports the intent of this bill and has comments on the state purchases sustainability goals.

Resources, support and training does not currently exist to assist state procurement personnel in conducting purchases with these multiple requirements. Deeper guidance, and clarification as to how the goals will be met will need to be developed by experts in this area. Directing state to purchase under these requirements also does not include any resulting metrics or methods of compliance for this direction.

Thank you.



**TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2018**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 2547, H.D. 2, RELATING TO SUSTAINABILITY.

BEFORE THE:

SENATE COMMITTEES ON WATER AND LAND, AND ON
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT AND ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

DATE: Monday, March 19, 2018 **TIME:** 2:45 p.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 224

TESTIFIER(S): Russell A. Suzuki, Acting Attorney General,
Bryan C. Yee, Deputy Attorney General or
Dawn T. Apuna, Deputy Attorney General

Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim and Members of the Committees:

The Department of the Attorney General provides the following comments on this bill.

The purpose of this bill is to create the Office of Sustainability (Office), and to increase economic development, while developing and protecting resources in a manner that enables individuals to meet current needs and ensure that future generations can also meet their needs, from the joint perspective of environmental, economic, and community objectives through collaboration and cooperation between the public and private sectors.

This bill appears to duplicate some of the functions of the Office of Planning (OP), which is established under chapter 225M, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), and is authorized to assist the Governor and the Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism in maintaining an overall framework to guide the development of the State through a continuous process of comprehensive, long-range, and strategic planning to meet the physical, economic, and social needs of Hawaii's people, and provide for the wise use of Hawaii's resources in a coordinated, efficient, and economical manner, including the conservation of those natural, environmental, recreational, scenic, historic, and other limited and irreplaceable resources that are required for future generations. To avoid unnecessary duplication of services and programs, as well as potential conflict

between the proposed Office and OP, this bill should establish the Office in purpose and programs clearly distinguishable from OP.

We respectfully ask the Committee to consider these comments.

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Submitted on: 3/18/2018 2:43:29 PM

Testimony for WTL on 3/19/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for OCC Legislative Priorities Committee, Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

Testimony of The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i
Supporting with Comments and Recommendations
HB 2547 HD2 Relating to Sustainability
Senate Committee Water and Land
Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment
Senate Committee on Government Operations
Monday, March 19, 2018, 2:45PM, Room 224

The Nature Conservancy of Hawai'i is a private non-profit conservation organization dedicated to the preservation of the lands and waters upon which life depends. The Conservancy has helped to protect nearly 200,000 acres of natural lands in Hawai'i. We manage 43,000 acres in 14 preserves and work in 19 coastal communities to help protect the near-shore reefs and waters of the main Hawaiian Islands. We forge partnerships with government, private parties and communities to protect Hawai'i's important watershed forests and coral reefs.

The Nature Conservancy supports HB 2547 HD2 with the following comments and recommendations.

In recent years, we have supported having a State Sustainability Coordinator position and we are grateful that the Legislature reestablished and funded the position for the FY18-19 biennium. We continue to support having that position in State government, including an appropriate operational budget to facilitate collective efforts and progress amongst government and private sectors on achieving shared sustainability goals.

Many of the State's and partners' goals for such things as clean energy, education, local agriculture production, economic and workforce development, and natural resource protection have been established and funded with important directive, authority and resources from the Legislature. We agree that having a position that open lines of communication and collaboration amongst government agencies and into the private sector to facilitate sustainability actions and keep track of results can be very beneficial. This position can work across levels of government and the private sector to advocate for government and non-government efforts and help implement a consistent set of metrics we all can use as common measures and benchmarks toward individual and collective sustainability goals.

However, we are concerned with this bill's proposal for a rather large initial staff and budget for the sustainability office, particularly if it would negatively impact the resources and staffing necessary to implement other agencies' sustainability programs, including those of DBEDT and the Departments of Agriculture, Health, Transportation, Education, and Land & Natural Resources amongst others.

We recommend starting with more modest resources and later evaluating the effectiveness of the sustainability office and the appropriate capacity needed to achieve its coordination and facilitation role.

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Testimony for WTL on 3/19/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Randy Cabral	Testifying for Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation	Support	Yes

Comments:



Hawai`i Interfaith Power and Light

A religious response to global warming



To: The Senate Committees on Water & Land (WTL), Agriculture & Environment (AEN), and Government Operations (GVO)

From: Hawaii Interfaith Power & Light (HIPL)

Date: Monday, March 19, 2018

Time: 2:45 p.m.

Place: Conference Room 224, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Re: Support for HB2547 HD2, Relating to Sustainability.

Aloha e Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim; Vice Chairs Gabbard, Riviere, and Ruderman; and Members of the Committees on Water & Land, Agriculture & Environment, and Government Operations:

My name is Steve Lohse, I'm an environmental scientist and Legislative Liaison for Hawaii Interfaith Power & Light (HIPL). HIPL's interfaith community affirms and promotes responsible policy and effective action on energy and climate change. On behalf of HIPL, thank you for this opportunity to submit **Testimony in Support of HB2547 HD2** for the following reasons:

(1) Sustainability is a social issue, an economic issue, an environmental issue, and an ethical issue grounded in our human identities, our justice traditions, and our spiritual values. Transitions can seem deeply unsettling if not overwhelming, but **we have the traditional wisdom, the current knowledge, and the urgent need** to transition to a sustainable society.

(2) Unsustainable practices will continue to decrease security and increase social, economic, and environmental costs, both globally and locally, until we transition to a sustainable society. **The cost of doing nothing far outweighs the cost of transitioning!** Please do everything in your power at every opportunity to promote sustainability in Hawaii without delay.

(3) A stronger policy framework for Hawaii's sustainability efforts plus good-faith collaboration will empower diverse stakeholders to respond sustainably to Hawaii's social, economic, and environmental challenges. **Please consider locating the Office of Sustainability within the Office of the Governor** for maximum collaboration opportunities.

With a sense of urgency for the responsible and effective stewardship of all interdependent aspects of our Island Home, we rely on your leadership to help transition Hawaii to genuine sustainability without delay. As always, thank you for all that you do!

Aloha no,

Hawaii Interfaith Power & Light (HIPL)

Steve Lohse, HIPL Legislative Liaison, 808-499-5406, lohse@hawaii.edu

HIPL embraces the following goals:

- *raise awareness of the deeply spiritual nature of energy and climate challenges;*
- *advocate energy policies that promote conservation, efficiency, and renewables;*
- *provide inspiration, resources, leadership, and education for effective community action.*



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SENATE COMMITTEES ON WATER & LAND, AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT, AND
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Monday, March 19, 2018 — 2:45 p.m. — Room 224

Ulupono Initiative Strongly Supports HB 2547 HD 2, Relating to Sustainability

Dear Chair Rhoads, Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Riviere, Chair Kim, Vice Chair Ruderman, and Members of the Committees:

My name is Kyle Datta and I am General Partner of Ulupono Initiative, a Hawai'i-based impact investment firm that strives to improve the quality of life for the people of Hawai'i by working toward solutions that create more locally produced food; increase affordable, clean, renewable energy; and better management of waste and fresh water. Ulupono believes that self-sufficiency is essential to our future prosperity and will help shape a future where economic progress and mission-focused impact can work hand in hand.

Ulupono strongly supports HB 2547 HD 2, which establishes the State Office of Sustainability and State Sustainability Fund, because it aligns with our goals.

For private sector and non-profit foundation funders, stakeholders, advocates, and the general public that is interested in environmental sectors such as local food, renewable energy, waste reduction, and better management of water, it is often difficult to navigate State government to get things done. This is especially true when multiple State departments are involved.

Ulupono has started to work with the City and County of Honolulu's new Office of Climate Change, Sustainability, and Resiliency to work across City agencies. We are confident that their efforts will successfully create better outcomes and we hope that a State Office counterpart can be placed into existence. If implemented, Ulupono will work collaboratively with this office to move needed public-private partnership projects and policies forward.

As sustainability issues become ever more complex and important, having a dedicated office with adequate staffing and funding is extremely critical to making Hawai'i a better place to live.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Investing in a Sustainable Hawai'i



Respectfully,

Kyle Datta
General Partner



To: The Senate Committees on Water and Land, Agriculture and Environment, and
Government Operations
From: Sherry Pollack, 350Hawaii.org
Date: Monday, 3/19/18

In support of HB2547 HD2

Dear Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim; Vice Chairs Riviere and Ruderman, and Members,

I am the Vice President of the Hawaii chapter of 350.org, the largest international organization dedicated to fighting climate change. 350Hawaii.org supports HB2547 HD2.

As sustainability issues become ever more complex and important, having a dedicated office with adequate staffing and funding will be critical.

HB2547 HD2 **will help establish a stronger policy framework for Hawaii's sustainability efforts** to ensure long-term **planning, coordination, and implementation of Hawaii's sustainability goals** and policies, which is long overdue.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony.

Sherry Pollack
Vice President, 350Hawaii.org



To: The Senate Committees on Water and Land, Agriculture and Environment, and
Government Operations
From: Brodie Lockard, 350Hawaii.org, 808-262-1285
Date: Monday, 3/19/18

In support of HB2547 HD2

Dear Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim; Vice Chairs Riviere and Ruderman, and Members,

I am the founder of the Hawaii chapter of 350.org, the largest international organization dedicated to fighting climate change. 350Hawaii.org supports HB2547 HD2.

As sustainability issues become ever more complex and important, having a dedicated office with adequate staffing and funding will be critical.

HB2547 HD2 will help establish a stronger policy framework for Hawaii's sustainability efforts to ensure long-term planning, coordination, and implementation of Hawaii's sustainability goals and policies, which is long overdue.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony.

Brodie Lockard
Founder, 350Hawaii.org



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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

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In SUPPORTING INTENT of HB 2547 HD2 Relating to Sustainability

Aloha Chairs Rhoads, Gabbard, and Kim, Vice Chairs Gabbard, Riviere and Ruderman, and members of the Committees,

On behalf of our 20,000 members and supporters, the Sierra Club of Hawai'i, a member of the Common Good Coalition, ***supports the intent of HB 2457***, establishing a new Office of Sustainability. We offer the following suggestions for improving this proposal.

The Sierra Club exists to ensure we establish and enforce protections for the natural environment, ensuring our water is clean, our air is pure, and our soil is healthy.

To this end we support the intent of of this bill to create “a stronger policy framework for advancing Hawai'i's sustainability goals,” as articulated in Act 181, SLH 2011. However, *the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) is **not** the best fit for housing this office*. According to their website, DBEDT's mission is to achieve:

a Hawai'i economy that embraces innovation and is globally competitive, dynamic and productive, providing opportunities for all Hawai'i's citizens. Through our attached agencies, we also foster planned community development, create affordable workforce housing units in high-quality living environments, and promote innovation sector job growth.

While this is an extremely important mission, it does not indicate any expertise in the sustainability goals and needs of the state of Hawai'i. We recommend establishing such a coordinating functioning in the Office of Environmental Quality and Control (OEQC), the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), or perhaps in a new agency created to better protect our environment (e.g., a Hawai'i Environmental Protection Agency of sorts).

In 1976, the LRB published possible frameworks for the Government Reorganization Commission to consider. While the report noted that environmental protect was an “emerging

concern of government that might well be institutionalized with a single department embracing these programs.”¹

In 1985, LRB then published “The Feasibility of Environmental Reorganization for Hawai‘i.” This report identified many problems with the current structure including failure to prioritize environmental policies, lack of statewide planning and coordination, and inadequate funding resources. The report concluded that:

a separate department should eventually be established, not because of coordination needs, but because the State must place greater emphasis on pollution control programs to be prepared for contamination problems of the future. ... A new department should help to develop this approach by bringing together the necessary expertise to examine problems from a total environmental perspective.²

In 1996, the Office of the Governor published “Restructuring State Government Services: Findings and Recommendations” in response to Act 297, SLH 1996. This report analyzed an overall reorganization of all state agencies for efficiency and effectiveness. Even in this report not focused on environmental concerns, the report authors identified the need to “restructure the State’s role in environmental protection and resource conservation and stewardship.”³

Most of the factors informing the various recommendations to centralize environmental protection efforts into one agency over the last 40 years remain true today, if only more intense. The challenges of the climate crisis and instability at the federal level executive branch makes the case for a re-alignment of agency mission and task to protect our environment all the more urgent.

For these reasons, **we strongly urge this committee to *amend* and pass HB 2457 HD2.**

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this important issue.

Marti Townsend
Chapter Director

¹ “State Executive Branch: Government Reorganization Commission,” Legislative Reference Bureau, JK9340-O7-H38 (1976), addendum 1, page 3.

² “The Feasibility of Environmental Reorganization for Hawaii,” Legislative Reference Bureau, Report No. 1 (1985) page 80-81.

³ “Restructuring State Government Services: Findings and Recommendations,” Office of the Governor, Act 297, SLH 1996, page 4-4.

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Submitted on: 3/12/2018 5:02:50 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Erica Scott	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/13/2018 11:31:50 AM

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

Comments:

Hi my name is Jessica Mae Abanes, and my thoughts about HB2547 is that it is a good idea to establish the act of "Hawaii Sustainability Act" because it will help maintain a quality life for the citizens of Hawaii. It will help the water quality, land use, energy, and the ocean resources, these qualities are important to humans and should be sustainable and protected. I believe the Hawaii Sustainability Act will protect those qualities and establish a stronger policy framework for Hawaii. If we don't protect or make the qualities sustainable, human health will become in trouble meaning our health will be prone to diseases and our organs will eventually fail, we need to keep the qualities clean for humans and organisms to survive.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jennifer Milholen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mary Lacques	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
janice palma-glennie	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

aloha, we must do all we can to support and help sustain environmentally friendly agriculture that supports us all.

mahalo janice palma-glennie

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Reed Gach	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I urge you to support HB 2547 relating to SUSTAINABILITY. Our state needs more groundbreaking environmental bill like HB 2547.

Please support HB 2547.

Mahalo!

Michael Reed Gach
Maui Resident

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michele Nihipali	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Committee members,

Sustainability has always been a part of living in Hawaii. Hawaiians have always respected and practiced the ability to maintain our resources for the future. This has sometimes not been considered in modern Hawaii and it is paramount to the survival of these islands. This is an important bill for our future. I support this bill and urge you to pass it.

Mahalo for reviewing my testimony,

Michele Nihipali

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
B.A. McClintock	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support this important bill

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laura Gray	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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