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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE**

**Tuesday, April 3, 2018
2:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 329**

**In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 225/HOUSE RESOLUTION 195
REQUESTING THE HAWAII VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO
CONDUCT A SURVEY OF ITS MEMBERSHIP ON THE FREQUENCY OF CASES OF
RAT LUNGWORM DISEASE IN ANIMAL COMPANIONS**

House Concurrent Resolution 225/House Resolution 195 request the Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association to conduct a survey of its membership to better understand the prevalence of rat lungworm disease in pet animals. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports these measures.**

The Department is a collaborator on the Hawaii Interagency Biosecurity Plan, which recognizes rat lungworm disease as a serious threat to human health and agriculture in Hawaii, vectored by invasive snails and rodents. The Department supports this effort to better understand the potential for pet animals to be impacted by and to potentially vector rat lungworm disease.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on these measures.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments: