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| Kat Culina | Individual | Support | No |

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| Asami Kobayashi | Young Progressives Demanding Action | Support | Yes |

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| Shannon Rudolph | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: STRONGLY SUPPORT!!!

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| Kelvin Chico | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: Although I understand the complexity involved in upgrading this massive system to modern standards, I believe that, despite the herculean challenge, the Red Hill facility must be modernised in order to minimise future contaminations.

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BEFORE THE COMMITTEES ON AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Hawaii State Legislature
February 8, 2017

Senate Bill 1259
Relating to Underground Storage Tanks

Aloha Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Reviere, Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and Members of the
Committees:

The Ka Lāhui Hawaii Political Action Committee (KPAC) strongly supports S.B. 1259 requiring Red Hill and other large-scale, antiquated field-constructed fuel tanks in Hawai‘i to comply with federal requirements for standard tanks.

Freshwater is Hawai‘i’s most precious resource and it must be protected in the highest regard. The tanks at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility put our water quality at risk and threaten our public health sitting 100 feet above O‘ahu’s primary aquifer that supplies drinking water to over 600,000 residents from Hālawā to Hawai‘i Kai.

Over the decades of US military occupation of Kanaka Maoli (aka Native Hawaiian) lands in the Hawaiian archipelago, the US military has done more damage to our environment, cultural, historic, native religious and natural resources than any other group, corporation or industry. The lives of the Kanaka Maoli are intrinsically tied to both the land and water. The fresh clams of Pu‘uloa (aka Pearl Harbor) are long gone replaced by military toxic waste, once a homestead for ranchers - the island of Kaho‘olawe is now uninhabitable and its water table broken due to decades of being used as military, and the Kanaka Maoli sacred sites on lands occupied by the US military are continually in danger of destruction.

Now with recent leaking of the Red Hill military fuel tanks, the livelihoods of O‘ahu residents including Kanaka Maoli are put in in danger. The State of Hawai‘i must the do what it can protect our environment, cultural, historic, native religious and natural resources from continued destruction by the US military. The one resource that cannot be replaced is water.

Take action now please and pass this bill as a first step reigning in the US military abuses to Hawai‘i.

Pū‘ali kalo i ka wai ‘ole. Taro, for lack of water, grows misshapen.

Respectfully submitted,

Healani Sonoda-Pale
Member, KPAC

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| Diane Marshall | Individual | Support | Yes |

Comments: E kala mai I forgot to include my contact info on testimony Diane Marshall 271-5579 kianamar73@gmail.com

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| Edgar Espero | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: In support of SB1259 to insure protection of environment.

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| Nohealani Hirahara | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: Please protect our Aina

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| Rachel L. Kailianu | Individual | Oppose | Yes |

Comments: Who is the authority on this bill? There is a chain of command that should be held to the highest of standard, especially when it comes to our aquifers. If our BOH and EPA engineers are the authority by which the NAVY IS working diligently to comply to the rules set by our state. Why then is one engineer for BOWS, third on the ladder of authority, against the engineers of the BOH AND EPA? And though not mentioned in this bill, why is BOWS drilling dangerously and recklessly next to these so called tanks that is fueling the negative attack on our NAVY?

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| Wendy Arbeit | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: This measure is important to protect our water in a timely manner.

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| Quincy Bedoya | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: Aloha Chairs Gabbard and Nishihara and members of both committees, My name is Quincy Bedoya and I am a second year law student at the University of Hawaii at Manoa William S. Richardson School of Law. I am in full support of SB1259 relating to underground storage tanks (USTs). SB1259 would require the Department of Health (DOH) to mandate that the field constructed USTs at Red Hill to comply with the same State and Federal regulations that other USTs have to comply with. Given the history of leaks from the USTs at Red Hill and the potential risk that they pose to the drinking water resource just directly below, this bill is highly appropriate. It is imperative that DOH act quickly to fulfill its constitutionally mandated duty to protect our public trust resources, and this bill would help DOH do just that. A very similar bill was introduced in 2015, however it did not move past its first committee hearing. The testimony opposing the bill was generally premised around the arguments that: (1) the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility is vital to military operations in Hawaii; and (2) DOH, the U.S. Navy, Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), and the EPA were already working on an effective plan to protect the environment, and more specifically the drinking water beneath the Red Hill Facility. It has been 2 years, the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) has been completed, and we are no better off than we were last time around. Despite 27,000 gallons of jet fuel leaking out of one of the USTs at Red Hill 3 years ago, there has been no requirement for the Navy to clean up the spill. As the agency regulating USTs in the State, DOH is not relieved of its constitutional duty to protect the groundwater directly beneath the Red Hill facility because they are waiting on a 22-year study determining "cost-effective" tank upgrade solutions and to what extent, if any, the environment needs to be remediated. The fact that requiring the upgrades outlined in SB1259 would be costly to the U.S. Navy does not outweigh the need to protect and conserve the Hawaii's groundwater for the "benefit of present and future generations." This combined with the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Armed Services mandate that the Navy, DLA, and the EPA to compare potential tank upgrade alternatives with "the cost of the replacement or relocation of the existing storage tanks" suggests that it is appropriate to stop the continued use of the USTs at the Red Hill facility if the Navy and DLA feel that meeting the requirements outlined in SB1259 would be too costly. Thank you for taking the time to consider my testimony, and please

support SB1259.

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| C. Kai Lucas | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: These antiquated tanks should be decommissioned as soon as possible and replaced with state of the art fuel storage facilities above ground. There is no DOD mission for this jet fuel worth poisoning O'ahu's sole source aquifer. This bill sets bare minimum standards for protecting the drinking water of hundreds of thousands of residents and visitors as well as military personnel. Please pass SB1259 NOW, and then work on finding appropriate alternative site(s) for the military to store its fuel. However expensive building new facilities might be, that pales in comparison to trying to mitigate damage to an aquifer, which could be irreparable. Needing to import or desalinate water to replace a contaminated aquifer would be economically and environmentally catastrophic. We are one accident, one significant earthquake, one act-of-God-or-madman from that becoming reality.

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| Laulani Teale | Individual | Support | No |

Comments: I support this measure. It could be even stronger, but this is a good start. Fuel tanks are dangerous, and the effects of a single leak could last for generations. Mahalo nui loa. Aloha, Laulani

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

Comments: We STRONGLY OPPOSE this bill. It is clear that this is a targeted bill, aimed at the Navy. I believe it is illegal to create legislation that targets a specific person or entity. Secondly, this bill starts a very bad precedent in which it attempts to mandate an entity to follow a specific Federal Law. Are we now going to mandate each Department in the State to follow a particular Federal Law. If this is true, there is specific Federal marijuana laws that will kill every marijuana initiative that this State is championing. In conclusion, we note that we are a native Hawaiian Advocacy Corporation, who advocated by, for & on behalf of native Hawaiians, why, because we are treated as 3rd class citizens in our own country. So, suffice it to say, we are for those who are targeted. In this case, it is clear that the Navy is being targeted by this legislation. What's right is right, what's wrong is wrong & what is fair is fair. There is no fairness when legislators seek to target a specific person or entity.

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