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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committees on
WATER AND LAND
and
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT**

**Wednesday, February 7, 2018
1:20 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**In consideration of
SENATE BILL 2566
RELATING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET**

Senate Bill 2566 proposes to appropriate funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to assist the National Wildlife Research Center in developing mitigation strategies for the rose-ringed parakeet. **The Department supports this bill, provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in the Executive Supplemental Budget request.**

The Department recognizes that there has been an increase in reports of rose-ringed parakeet flocks on the Island of Kauai and that this species may be a nuisance to farmers. The proposed research by the National Wildlife Research Center would examine whether this species also poses threats to Hawaii's natural resources by feeding on native plant seeds or dispersing non-native plant seeds from low-elevation farms and forests into higher-elevation native forests.

The National Wildlife Research Center began this work utilizing funds appropriated by House Bill 655 in 2017. The funds appropriated by this measure would allow the Center to complete the proposed work plan.

The Department notes that the Hawaii Interagency Biosecurity Plan describes the need for increased research and control of established pests, such as the rose-ringed parakeet, under action item #121 (PosTifs2.3).

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

SUZANNE D. CASE
CHAIRPERSON
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
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**TESTIMONY OF SCOTT E. ENRIGHT
CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF AGRICULTURE**

**BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON WATER & LAND AND AGRICULTURE &
ENVIRONMENT**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2018
1:20 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 224**

**SENATE BILL NO. 2566
RELATING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET**

Chairperson Rhoads, Chairperson Gabbard and Members of the Committees:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 2566. This bill would appropriate general funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources to fund the National Wildlife Research Center's assessment of the impacts of the parakeet and develop a control program to reduce the impacts of the parakeet. The Department supports this measure.

The Department recognizes that rose-ringed parakeet is an environmental pest and agricultural pest. It spreads seeds of noxious weeds into the forests which compete with and often overwhelm the native plants, changing the ecology of the forests. This then has secondary negative impacts on the native birds, insects, bats, etc. In addition, the rose-ringed parakeet feeds on fruit grown in agricultural areas resulting in a negative impact on agriculture production. The National Wildlife Research Center has begun, but has not completed, studies on the impacts of these birds in Hawaii. This funding will continue that research which will be needed to develop effective control measures.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on this measure.





February 5, 2018

Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair
Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Water and Land

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Senator Gil Riviere, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment

Testimony in Support of SB 2566, Relating to Agriculture (Appropriates funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources [DLNR] to provide assistance and supplemental funding to the National Wildlife Research Center of the U.S. Department of Agriculture [NWRC] to conduct pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and develop a management plan to reduce the rose-ringed parakeet population on Kauai).

Wednesday, February 7, 2018, 1:20 p.m., in Conference Room 224

The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii (LURF) is a private, non-profit research and trade association whose members include major Hawaii landowners, developers and a utility company. LURF's mission is to advocate for reasonable, rational and equitable land use planning, legislation and regulations that encourage well-planned economic growth and development, while safeguarding Hawaii's significant natural and cultural resources, and public health and safety.

LURF appreciates the opportunity to express its **support of SB 2566.**

SB 2566. This bill proposes to appropriate funds to the DLNR to provide assistance and supplemental funding to the NWRC to continue its efforts to manage the population of the rose-ringed parakeet on Kauai.

LURF's Position. LURF understands that funds already appropriated toward this effort by Act 31, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, will be used to support research on damage mitigation and population reduction strategies by the NWRC, including the hiring a director for the study, however, additional funding is required to complete the study and carry out the second phase of the project which entails, amongst other things, conducting pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and developing a management

plan to reduce populations of the rose-ringed parakeet on Kauai.

Invasive species such as birds, insects, disease-bearing organisms, snakes, weeds, and other pests pose the greatest threat to Hawaii's economy, tourism, agriculture, the natural environment, native species and to the health and lifestyle of Hawaii's people. These invasive species already cause millions of dollars in crop losses, the extinction of native species, the destruction of native plants and forests, and the spread of disease, but many more harmful pests, such as the rose-ringed parakeet, now threaten to invade Kauai and wreak further damage.

For the above reasons, LURF **supports SB 2566** and respectfully urges your favorable consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding this matter.

SB-2566

Submitted on: 2/3/2018 6:48:28 AM

Testimony for WTL on 2/7/2018 1:20:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John R. Gordines	Hawaii Floriculture & Nursery Ass.	Support	No

Comments:

The red rose ringed parakeet is destroying agriculture and impacting tourism. Funding and eradication is needed now!

SB-2566

Submitted on: 2/5/2018 8:55:56 AM

Testimony for WTL on 2/7/2018 1:20:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Councilmember Yuki Lei Sugimura	Maui County Council	Support	No

Comments:

This bill appropriates funds to the department of land and natural resources to provide assistance and supplemental funding to the National Wildlife Research Center of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to conduct pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and develop a management plan to reduce the rose-ringed parakeet population on Kauai.

SB-2566

Submitted on: 2/5/2018 12:33:59 PM

Testimony for WTL on 2/7/2018 1:20:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Warren Watanabe	Maui County Farm Bureau	Support	No

Comments:



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February 7, 2018

HEARING BEFORE THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

TESTIMONY ON SB 2566
RELATING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET

Room 224
1:20 PM

Aloha Chair Rhoads, Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Riviere, and Members of the Committees:

I am Randy Cabral, President of the Hawaii Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,900 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interests of our diverse agricultural community.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau is in strong support of SB 2566, which appropriates funds to the department of land and natural resources to provide assistance and supplemental funding to the National Wildlife Research Center of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to conduct pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and develop a management plan to reduce the rose-ringed parakeet population on Kauai.

Although beautiful and appealing, these parakeets are damaging both commercial farmers' crops and backyard growers' orchards on Kauai, especially of lychee, longan, and rambutan.

HFB agrees that we need a cost-effective means to control the rose-ringed parakeet on Kauai that will benefit economically important crops, reduce the potential for damage to natural resources, and avoid any negative effects on the health and safety of Kauai residents.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

SB-2566

Submitted on: 2/3/2018 4:22:37 PM

Testimony for WTL on 2/7/2018 1:20:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.	Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu	Support	No

Comments:



The Senate
Committee on Water and Land
Committee on Agriculture and Environment
February 7, 2018
1:20 p.m., Conference Room 224
State Capitol

Testimony in Support of SB 2566

Aloha Chairs Rhoads and Gabbard, Vice Chair Riviere, and Members of the Committees,
The Coordinating Group on Alien Pest Species (CGAPS) **is in support of SB 2566, Relating to the Rose-Ringed Parakeet.** The aim of this measure is to provide funding to develop control techniques and a management plan for these invasive birds on Kauaʻi.

Over the past twenty years, the unmitigated proliferation of this beautiful but invasive bird has been quite evident in Honolulu, and it seems that we are destined to learn more about their impacts as the population continues to rise. On the other hand, Kauaʻi still has a chance to control the relatively small population of this bird. As with many of the species that become invasive in Hawaiʻi, there are no viable and available control techniques. We ask for your support of this measure. Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,
Christy Martin
CGAPS



Board of Directors

TESTIMONY FROM BENNETTE MISALUCHA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

President

Alan Takemoto

IN SUPPORT OF SB 2566

RELATING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET

Vice-President

Joshua Uyehara

SENATE COMMITTEES ON WATER & LAND AND
AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT

February 7, 2018, 1:20 p.m.

Conference Room 224

Secretary

Dawn Bicoy

Chairs Rhoads and Gabbard and members of the committees:

Treasurer

Laurie Yoshida

The Hawaii Crop Improvement Association (HCIA) is a Hawaii-based non-profit organization that promotes modern agriculture to help farmers and communities succeed. Through education, collaboration, and advocacy, we work to ensure a safe and sustainable food supply, support responsible farming practices, and build a healthy state economy.

Directors-at-Large

Adolf Helm

Mark Stoutemyer

Dan Clegg

Gene Harrington

HCIA is in **support of SB 2566**, which appropriates funds to the Hawaii State Department of Land & Natural Resources to assist and fund the National Wildlife Research Center (NWRC) to conduct pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and develop a management plan to reduce the rose-ringed parakeet (RRP) population on Kauai.

President Emeritus

Kirby Kester

Executive Director

Bennette Misalucha

The RRP is a substantial threat to agriculture in Hawaii, especially on Kauai. Over the last several years, local farmers have watched as the population of these environmental and agricultural pests have grown. The RRP feeds indiscriminately on the crops of both small and large agricultural enterprises.

RRPs measure approximately 16 inches long, including tail feathers. Their average single-wing length is roughly 6.5 inches. These birds are most commonly found in flocks containing several dozen, allowing for the quick destruction of an agricultural field.

Secondary to their impact on crops from feeding, the RRP also spread seeds of invasive weeds. Left unchecked, the unwanted weeds lead to lower production yields and a myriad of other negative ecological impacts.

The requested funding will allow the NWRC to conduct their field studies and move forward with a much-needed control plan to limit the negative impacts produced by these animals.

HCIA respectfully requests that this committee vote yes on SB 2566 to help local farmers protect their businesses and livelihoods. Mahalo for your consideration.



Sincerely,

Bennette Misalucha
Executive Director, Hawaii Crop Improvement Association

SB-2566

Submitted on: 2/5/2018 4:32:36 PM

Testimony for WTL on 2/7/2018 1:20:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Springer Kaye	Big Island Invasive Species Committee	Support	No

Comments:

SB-2566

Submitted on: 2/4/2018 11:06:37 PM

Testimony for WTL on 2/7/2018 1:20:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marion McHenry		Support	No

Comments:

From: [Mark Phillipson](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
Date: Monday, February 5, 2018 12:42:09 PM

Aloha Chair Rhoads, Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Riviere and Members of the Committee:

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I believe the state needs a cost-effective solution to control the rose-ringed parakeets on Kauai that will benefit economically important crops, reduce potential for damage to natural resources, and avoid any negative effects on the health and safety of Kauai residents.

I therefore respectfully request your strong support of this measure to control the growing rose-ringed parakeet population in the state of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my testimony on this measure.

Mahalo!

From: [Phil Becker](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
Date: Monday, February 5, 2018 12:39:53 PM

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From: [Greg Askew](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
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From: [Leslie Hanawahine](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
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From: [LUJANA BECK](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
Date: Monday, February 5, 2018 12:57:33 PM

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From: [steve Stefanko](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
Date: Monday, February 5, 2018 1:20:06 PM

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From: [John Gordines](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
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From: [Bennette Misalucha](#)
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From: [Alvin Tsuruda](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
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From: [Kylie Matsuda-Lum](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
Date: Monday, February 5, 2018 2:03:36 PM

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From: [Karol Haraguchi](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
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From: [Randy Cabral](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
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From: [Diane Chuensanguansat](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
Date: Monday, February 5, 2018 3:45:54 PM

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From: [Kevin Mulkern](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
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From: [Laurie Ho](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
Subject: I SUPPORT SB2566
Date: Monday, February 5, 2018 4:53:14 PM

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Although beautiful and appealing, these parakeets are damaging both commercial farmers' crops and backyard growers' orchards on Kauai, especially of lychee, longan, and rambutan.

I believe the state needs a cost-effective solution to control the rose-ringed parakeets on Kauai that will benefit economically important crops, reduce potential for damage to natural resources, and avoid any negative effects on the health and safety of Kauai residents.

I therefore respectfully request your strong support of this measure to control the growing rose-ringed parakeet population in the state of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my testimony on this measure.

Mahalo!

From: [Richard Ogoshi](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
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Date: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 8:52:46 AM

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From: [Joni Kamiya](#)
To: [WTL Testimony](#)
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From: [Jeffrey McCall](#)
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From: [Richard Albrecht](#)
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