



**Hawaii  
Aquaculture &  
Aquaponics Association**

February 7, 2017

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair and Senator Gil Riviere, Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment  
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair and Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs  
Hawaii State Capitol, 415 S. Beretania St.  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs Gabbard and Nishihara, Vice Chairs Riviere and Wakai, and Members of the Committees:

The Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association (HAAA) **supports SB 689**, "Relating to Agricultural Buildings." HAAA strongly supported the passage of Act 203 (2013), which provided exemptions under HRS Section 46-88 from building codes and permits for certain essential agricultural structures. At that time we stated, and Act 203 affirmed, that only truly agricultural, nonresidential structures should be exempted. So far as we can tell, there is nothing in the current law that prevents County building departments from enforcing this requirement, and we have no objection to the State's affirming the right of the Counties to do so.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important matter.

Sincerely,



Frederick M. Mencher  
for Ronald Weidenbach, President  
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