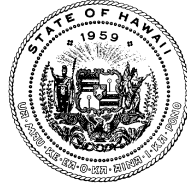


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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SCR38 SD1HD1
URGING RESTAURANTS TO DONATE ANY LEFTOVER FOOD TO HOMELESS
SHELTERS AT THE END OF THEIR BUSINESS DAY AND URGING THE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO DEVELOP AND DISSEMINATE TEMPERATURE
CONTROLLED FOR SAFETY FOOD DONATION GUIDELINES**

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS LEE, CHAIR
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Hearing Date: April 17, 2019
3:00 pm

Room Number: 325

- 1 **Fiscal Implications:** None
- 2 **Department Testimony:** The department supports this resolution.
- 3 The Food Safety program will develop guidelines for food establishments on how to safely
- 4 donate Temperature Controlled for Safety (TCS) foods and will disseminate those guidelines to
- 5 the Hawaii Restaurant Association (HRA) and all food establishment permit holders during
- 6 routine inspections.
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- 8 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution

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Melodie Aduja	O`ahu County Democrats Legislative Priorities Committee	Support	No

Comments:

To the Honorable Chris Lee, Chair; the Honorable Joy A. San Buenaventura, Vice Chair; and members of the Committee on Judiciary:

The O`ahu County Democrats Legislative Priorities Committee submits its testimony in support of SCR38 SD1 HD1. Many restaurants appear to be willing to donate leftover food at the end of the business day to homeless shelters if it was commonly known that liability will not attach for any health problems that may result from food donations made in good-faith. Many restaurants are unaware that food donations are already protected from liability under the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act of 1996 where under section 145D—2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, any donor of food products, who donates in good faith for distribution or use by a charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization to needy persons is generally protected from liability.

As such, the O`ahu County Democrats Legislative Priorities Committee is in favor of the Department of Health developing guidelines for food establishments on how to safely donate temperature controlled for safety foods and disseminate those guidelines to the Hawaii Restaurant Association and appropriate permit holders.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit support testimony on SCR38 SD1 HD1.

Mahalo nui loa.

Melodie Aduja

Chair, O`ahu County Democrats Legislative Priorities Committee