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Testimony of
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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

1:15 PM

State Capitol, Conference Room 225

LATE

In SUPPORT of
SB 2103
RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members of the Committee. The Hawaii State Energy Office (HSEO) supports SB 2103 that authorizes the issuance of special number license plates for the Polynesian Voyaging Society for electric vehicles.

Emissions from ground transportation such as passenger cars, light trucks, motorcycles, and heavy-duty vehicles still account for the largest share of energy sector emissions in the state. As noted in the 2016 Greenhouse Gas Inventory, transportation emissions in Hawaii were at 8.69 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalents, accounting for 51 percent of energy sector emissions. Ground transportation accounted for 47 percent of transportation emissions. For Hawaii to meet its target to sequester more greenhouse gases than we emit as soon as practicable but no later than 2045 (Hawaii Revised Statute, Section 201-12.8 Energy Security Special Fund), programs that encourage the adoption of cleaner transportation options are extremely important.

Increased adoption of electric vehicles aligns with the state's clean energy goals, supports the HSEO's efforts to decarbonize the transportation sector, and reflects the Polynesian Voyaging Society's core value of mālama honua, to care for our Island Earth. The license plate would commemorate the proud history of the Polynesian Voyaging Society and allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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ELEMENTAL
EXCELERATOR

Written Statement of Elemental Excelerator
before the Senate Committee on Transportation
February 5, 2020

**In consideration of [SB 2103](#)
RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation:

Elemental Excelerator **submits support for SB 2103**, which authorizes the issuance of special number license plates for the Polynesian Voyaging Society for electric vehicles.

Elemental Excelerator is a Honolulu-based non-profit organization that supports climate positive startup companies that are helping solve Hawai'i's most urgent environmental problems. Each year, we select 15-20 companies annually that best fit our mission and fund each company up to \$1 million. To date, we have awarded \$36 million to 99 companies resulting in over fifty demonstration projects in Hawai'i & the Asia Pacific. Fifteen percent of Elemental Excelerator's portfolio has companies like AMPLY, KIGT, eMotorWerks, and Chargetrip that specifically support solutions that advance the electrification of transportation.

We support SB 2103 because it bridges community, culture and technology in an effort to decarbonize the transportation sector, a significant contributor to Hawai'i's greenhouse gas emissions. At Elemental Excelerator, we take a place-based approach to innovation and recognize that technology deployment requires inclusivity of and sensitivity toward community. The Polynesian Voyaging Society is a global leader of innovation and clean transportation, and recognizing them on electric vehicle license plates will bridge wayfinding and electric mobility.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

Sincerely,


Dawn Lippert (Feb 4, 2020)

Dawn Lippert
CEO



February 5, 2020
Conference Room 225
Hawai'i State Capitol
425 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI. 96813

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 2103 – RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members of the Senate Committee on Transportation,

My name is Ann Botticelli and I am a volunteer member of the Board of Directors of the Polynesian Voyaging Society and the chairperson of its Advancement Committee. We very much appreciate this measure, which would permit the issuance of commemorative PVS license plates for electric vehicles as a fundraising source for our organization.

PVS is entirely dependent on fundraising and grants. The Malama Honua Worldwide Voyage, which included more than 150 ports and 18 nations, was fueled by donations and crewed largely by volunteers. This measure would provide PVS with a potential source of regular funding. It will not relieve the need to raise funds elsewhere, but it will could create a welcome stream of steady income as we continue to train new generations of intrepid voyagers.

We have provided the committee with a possible design of the plate, which is a depiction of Hokule'a at anchor in Kualoa on O'ahu's North Shore. According to an August 2019 article in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser, there are now close to 10,000 electric vehicles in Hawai'i, and we have every expectation that this number will grow. Allowing those vehicles to carry a PVS commemorative license plate would both honor and financially support the history of voyaging and navigation that PVS represents.

I humbly request that your committee approve this measure.

Sincerely,

Ann Botticelli

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:46:11 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Deborah Kimball	Testifying for Polynesian Voyaging Society	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization, one of the few contemporary efforts we can all be extremely proud of.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:34:07 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
paula ann h kim-janis	Testifying for Polynesian Voyaging Society	Support	No

Comments:

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 5:36:55 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Theresa Strange	Testifying for Polynesian voyaging society	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 8:01:57 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
ben noble	Testifying for PVS	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo for your support!

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 2:10:23 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leilani Huybrechts	Testifying for PVS	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawaii. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS

Mahalo.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:39:06 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jared	Testifying for BIEVA Big Island Electric Vehicle Association	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization. The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 7:54:50 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Hardy Spoehr	Testifying for Spoehr Foundation	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha. Thank you Chair and Members for accepting my testimony. I need to disclose that I am a board member of PVS. This really has no bearing on my support for this bill. Hawai'i has been and continues to be in a great position to demonstrate to the world policies and procedures which preserve and protect our lands and waters specifically and our environment generally which the First Peoples of our islands have passed on to us as their stewards.

The "Malama Honua" statement is not just a concept, it is a living and continuous life style for all of us to honor and follow as island people. The launching of this license plate will be a continuing reminder for all of us on just how important our environment and our way of living is for the sake of our children, our grandchildren and their generations to come.

Kia inangaro marie koe iaia, e nana koe e tiaki (Love and take care of her (environment) and she will take care of you).

Mahalo, Hardy Spoehr

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:28:28 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Craig Thomas	Testifying for Hawaii Emergency Physicians Associated	Support	No

Comments:

Celebrates the ecological focus of PVS consistend with the mission.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 7:52:30 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Karen Winslow	Testifying for Hokulea	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/3/2020 7:50:18 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Patrick D Abbott	Testifying for Forbidden Valley Farms	Support	No

Comments:

I whole heartedly endorse this legislation for the following reasons:

1. A better representation of a uniquely Hawaiian success story than the Hokulea License plate cannot be found. This licence plate confirms an inspiring Hawaiian contribution to history and the hope for a sustainable future.
2. I would be proud to have the Hokulaea Plate on my Tesla.
3. The plate is a useful means to promote future hope and sustainable practices.

Respectfully yours,

Patrick D Abbott

Forbidden Valley Farms

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:06:26 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeannette Gurung	Testifying for WOCAN	Support	No

Comments:

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i and also facilitate fundraising for the the mission of PVS.

As an EV owner, I am very keen to acquire this plate!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:49:16 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeannine Johnson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS has done much for the people of Hawai'i and especially the lahui. This license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i and perpetuate the mission of PVS. Mahalo!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:36:58 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
May Okihiro	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of SB2103.

The Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS) is an amazing organization whose programs have impacted almost everyone in the State of Hawaii. This is especially true of the children and youth in Hawai'i who now understand the legacy of Hawaiian voyagers in a very real and tangible way. PVS has been instrumental in helping promote the need to address the urgent environmental issues facing all of our families in Hawaii. Continuous funding for PVS is critical to perpetuating their work and the legacy of our Native Hawaiian voyagers.

As such, I strongly urge you to pass SB2103.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:29:17 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Patrick Karjala	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee On Transportation,

I am writing today to IN SUPPORT of SB2103: RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.

The Polynesian Voyaging Society is part of the fabric of modern Hawai'i, promoting sustainability and worldwide outreach in its educational mission. Having an Electric Vehicle license plate in support of their mission would be both recognition of their efforts, and help sustain their future operations for years to come.

Please vote IN SUPPORT of SB2103.

Mahalo!

Patrick Karjala

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:43:46 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lorraine Ward	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants, and this measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization. It would also commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. I find this especially appropriate because encouraging the driving of electric vehicles, something the state has already committed to doing, supports one of the core values of PVS, mā• lama honua. As an electric vehicle driver, I would be proud to both support PVS and display my support through this program. I encourage you to support this bill.

Frank O. Hay
kokee@okauai.com

Committee on Transportation
Hawaii State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol
415 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaii

Re: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB2103, RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES
Before the Committee on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 1.15 pm in Conference Room 225

Madame Chair, Honorable Members of the Committee:

I am a resident of Kauai, and a proud graduate of the University of Hawaii. Over almost sixty years as a resident of the islands, I have seen and experienced the renaissance of many things Hawaiian. One of the great success stories in our generation has been that of the Polynesian Voyaging Society, and especially the recent world-wide voyage of Hokulea.

It is fitting and right that the State provide an opportunity to those who want to publicly support the Polynesian Voyaging Society by minting a special license plate, with the excess funds going to a Society which has done so much to put Hawaii on the map.

I strongly support SB 2103 and urge you to pass the measure.

Me ke aloha,



Cc: 3877

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:01:21 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
B.A. McClintock	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This should be a no-brainer. Please support this bill! Mahalo for your time.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:45:11 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
winnie fung	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:31:11 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leah Laramie	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:26:51 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kathryne Kent	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This is such a great idea! EV's reduce carbon emissions in a huge way, which our planet needs to do to reduce global warming. The Hokulea voyaging canoe is all about Malama Honua, caring for our planet. It this can help both causes it is a beautiful and worthy idea. The logo is fantastic as shown on the PVS website.

Mahalo,

Kathryne Kent

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:58:34 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Savannah Allshouse	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As a volunteer and PVS crew member in-training, I have experienced firsthand the value and transformative impact of this important cultural heritage organization. PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo for your support!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:57:14 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sam ?Ohu Gon III	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support the special electric vehicle license plate, and in particular the symbolism of sustainability that HÅ• kÅ«le'a and the Polynesian Voyaging Society stand for. PVS as a recipient of the electric vehicle license plate funds makes a great deal of sense.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:39:24 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Connie Atwood	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The Polynesian Voyaging Society's work for the benefit of Hawaii is immeasurable. Their MÅ• lama Honua journey spread the message of Aloha around the world. As a charitable organization their continued success depends upon funds received and a HÅ• kÅ•le'a commemorative license plate would provide a source of funds. It is also a beautiful plate design that represents the heritage of Hawaii. Mahalo for your consideration.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:39:37 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mark Ellis	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

To Whom It May Concern.

I support SB2103.

An image of Hokulea will promote:

-members of our community malama honua or to care for the earth

-us to look to our past to find solutions for the future

All of which are good for all Hawaii.

Mahlao,

Mark Ellis

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:15:18 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Stephanie Hall Morin	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:15:10 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Audrey Kubota	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support this bill as it will support the Polynesian Voyaging Society on a continuing basis.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 2:09:01 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gillian Dunn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This license plate not only celebrates HÅ• kÅ«le'a and supports the Polynesian Voyaging Society, but also shows Hawai'i's pride in promoting and supporting more sustainable energy practices.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:24:16 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Debbie Millikan	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Date: February 3, 2020

To: State Senate Committee on Transportation

From: Debbie Millikan

Re: STRONG SUPPORT for SB2103

Relating to Special License Plastes

Hearing: Wednesday, Feb. 5

Dear State Senate Committee on Transportation,

Thank you for allowing my testimony in support of this bill to allow for the HÅ• kÅ«le'a commemorative license plate. This would allow owners of electric vehicles an opportunity to recognize the inspiration and committment to sustainability that PVS and HÅ• kÅ«le'a have had. It would also provide PVS with a positive revenue stream to support the good work they do.

Thank you for allowing this testimony.

Mahalo,

Debbie

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:34:05 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Katherine Buckovetz	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This nonprofit organization is dedicated to preserving Polynesian canoeing history and navigation history to educate people around the world as well as Hawaiian culture. It is an important, sincere legacy to inspire our keiki and appreciate Kapuna.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:22:20 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John NAYLOR	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/3/2020 1:13:43 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gigi Brisson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I would be proud to show my support for Hokule'a. This is a nice way to send them funding and show my neighbors that I care for this organization. Thank you fo rthe consideration.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:30:27 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Noel Morin	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I'm an EV owner and advocate of sustainable transportation. I'm fully in support of this measure. Offering EV owners with an alternative to the plain license plates while enabling awareness and funding of Hokule'a.

Mahalo,

Noel Morin - Hilo

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:34:28 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David Kaminskas	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Mahalo for considering SB2103. I am a member of the **Polynesian Voyaging Society** and crewmember for the recently concluded World wide voyage of the **Hokule'a** as well as **Medical Doctor** at Castle Hospital. I believe that this is an important step in supporting Polynesian Voyaging as well as **promoting environmental sustainability** through the use of electric cars.

Mahalo for your time and consideration!

David A. Kaminskas, MD

Associate Professor, JABSOM

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:53:37 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Rodney Go	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Whereas the Malama Honua Voyage of the Hokulea was a tremendous success in letting the world

know the importance of caring for Mother Earth and for educating peoples of the world know that

it takes all of us to malama our lands, oceans, rivers, lakes, and heavens to preserve its beauty and ability to sustain life, we the citizens of HI should support its mission and goals by allowing funds from the sale of special vehicular plates to be used solely to support Hokulea's Foundation the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:49:13 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dora Barrera	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear State Senate Committee of Transportation,

I kindly urge you to pass bill SB2103 allowing electric vehicle owners to choose a HÅ• kÅ«le'a commemorative license plate.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo in advance for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Dora Barrera

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 3:55:13 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kristin Hettermann	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am an electric car owner and look very forward to showing my support of PVS within the community by having this license plate. It aligns two things that are very important to the future of Hawaii- energy independence and cultural preservation.

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Much aloha, Kristin

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 4:51:12 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Barbara Trombley	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:12:38 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Thomas-Ryan Cleek	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this bill. I can't even begin to fathom why this bill would be against the public interest.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:15:23 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ronda Hoxsie	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha!

What a great idea to support the PVS with their own special license plate. It would be great to have these for regular vehicles too, not just EV.

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Sincerely,

Ronda Hoxsie

76-707 Hualalai Road

Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:19:46 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jodi Endicott	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please approve SB2103. It is in keeping with sustainable values

as per the Hawaiian way of life to preserve our world for future generations.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:21:40 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Samuel K. Kapoi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Been voyaging with HÅ• kÅ«le'a since 2001. The mission we are consistently promoting is MÅ• lama Honua, to care for Earth. Let's us represent that with our everyday drivers. Mahalo!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:15:53 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kelsey Nichols	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS. PVS has contributed significantly to the perpetuation of Hawaiian culture and the practice of long-forgotten navigation methods. Funds diverted to their mission, would help the community in innumerable ways.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:27:52 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kevin Imanaka	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am in full support of PVS which operates on donated funds and grants alone without governmental funding. If passed this would allow PVS to receive an important income stream which would allow the organization to continue its critical environmental and cultural work.

The license plate would honor PVS' incredible impact, and I believe there would be wholehearted support from the EV community to perpetuate the organization's legacy if given this option. Please pass this measure. Mahalo.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:33:08 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Catherine Oliver	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I would like to submit my testimony in support of the SB2013. As a PVS member and someone who was raised in Hawai'i, it is important to me to support efforts to malama honua. I think having a license plate that helps perpetuate this mission and also commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i would be an excellent addition to the current license plates we have already for our beautiful national parks.

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants and this measure will provide a very helpful source of income for this organization; one that has inspired so many here in Hawai'i and around the world.

I humbly ask that you consider all the good this could do for PVS, Hawai'i and the world.

Mahalo, Catherine Oliver, MD

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:35:02 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Robert Wahler	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I have an electric vehicle (Chevy Volt HI 1304) and support the PVS. Please begin this license plate program for the benefit of the PVS. Mahalo!

Keep me informed of progress.

Robert Wahler

Keaau, HI and San Jose, CA

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:38:58 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Katherine Lau	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Senators, I strongly support the special license plate commemorating the HÅ• kÅ«le'a. As an EV owner I would like to be able to contribute to the Polynesian Voyaging Society in such a visible way.

Sincerely,

Kate Lau of Hilo

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 5:52:02 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Candace C Casper	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support this issue and hope it will pass. I see no reason for it not passing, and will be disappointed in our State if it fails for some reason.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 6:00:12 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Edward Romson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Honoring the Hokulea with this plate is honoring the contribution that the voyagers (original and new) made to and for Hawaii.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 6:01:26 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Paxton Jerry	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This license plate would honor the voyage of the Hokulea and the culture and heritage of Hawaii and Polynesia. It would honor the world wide voyage of Malama Honua. We wholeheartedly support the issuance of this license plate for our EV and the other EV owners.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 6:12:55 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Steven Ryan	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I am OPPOSED to the proposal to issue a special picture license plate of the Hokule'a for electric vehicles. I am a Hawaii resident and have owned an electric vehicle licensed in Hawaii. Electric vehicles are a forward-looking technology being universally developed by people around the world for the benefit of all. The Hokule'a is a symbol of the past used to promote the cause of specific ethnic minority. I support all people who seek self-determination, but I don't think it is appropriate for the State of Hawaii to use this image to promote electric vehicles.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 6:27:56 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Elizabeth Hahn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I own a Nissan Leaf and have been a long time supporter of the Polynesian Voyaging Society. The world tour of the Hokulea is one of the greatest accomplishments in modern Hawaii. I would be proud to display this license plate on my car.

Mahalo,

Elizabeth Hahn

Wainea, Kauai

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 6:48:57 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
veronica schmidt	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 7:01:57 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Brian Flinn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support the creation of the HÅ• kÅ«le'a EV license plate. The PVS epitomizes the balance between honoring Hawaiian culture while striving for innovative advancements in a global society.

They are true ambassadors of The Aloha Spirit.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 7:20:29 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Janet Berreman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As an electric vehicle owner I would be eager to purchase this special

license plate to support the Polynesian Voyaging Society. I strongly support this bill.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 7:27:44 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
kira kaloi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This is a wonderful reminder of our kuleana to malama honua and I am in full support of this measure!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 7:43:35 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Teri L Skillman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Senate Committee on Transportation ~

I am writing in support of SB2103. The license plate is BEAUTIFUL and it would be a wonderful way to commemorate the proud history of HĀ• KĀ«le'a and the Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

This is an espacially important year to begin using this license plate with Honolulu hosting the Festival of the Pacific in July 2020. The canoe will be arriving in Ala Moana Harbor on June 10th. What better way to memorialize the importance of voyaging and to show it proudly with this magnificent license plate! I am an educator and I had my students follow HĀ• KĀ«le'a's voyage around the world. This license would be a wonderful way to continue to support voyaging and care for the environment!

I don't have an electric vehicle yet, but I look forward to getting one and having the privilege of sporting a PVS license plate!

Mahalo for your support!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 8:13:40 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Uluwehi Meade	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support the movement to create a unique addition to our Hawaii special plates. The Hokulea symbolizes many things to Native Hawaiians and residents of Hawaii as a whole. It would make a fantastic addition to our special plates and provide a much needed boost to the Polynesian Voyaging Society's fundraising efforts.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 9:03:12 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John Rowehl	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha friends --

As the most recognizable symbol and product of the 1970s Hawaiian Renaissance, the Hokule'a is certainly deserving of a specialty license plate. And the Polynesian Voyaging Society is certainly worthy of the financial support it will receive from such a license plate.

Please vote in favor of the bill.

Mahalo,

John Rowehl

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 11:29:19 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Malia Makanani	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 11:37:26 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Margaret Russo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I own an electric vehicle and would love to have a beautiful HÅ• kÅ«le'a license plate for it. Please support SB2103. Some of the money from the license plate fee would benefit the Polynesian Voyaging Society and provide additional revenue for the PVS and the government. A win-win proposition!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 12:03:56 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Edwin Lesperance	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I, Edwin Lesperance, support the creation of this license plate. The artwork is beautiful and the images are meaningful. That it is intended for Electric vehicles, which help preserve our environment for future generations, is especially meaningful.

The choice of Kualoa as a background is perfect, as are the tropic birds soaring overhead.

It is reminiscent of the work of the master Hawaiian artist Herb Kane:

"Kaha`i Entering KÄ• ne`ohe Bay," formerly displayed in KÄ• ne`ohe and seen on the following website:

http://archive.hokulea.com/index/founder_and_teachers/herb_kane.html

This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai`i, and would further the knowledge and practice of Polynesian voyaging.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 2:40:55 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kerstin Clemens	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Hokule'a is an important part of Hawaii and what PVS has been doing on grants and donated funds is amazing. It would be great if they can get some support with a beautiful license plate.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 6:13:34 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Johnna del Castillo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Having the option to subscribe to a special license plate is a great concept for our state of Hawai'i. It is good way to show your support for an organization, person, place, or cause by having this special license plate on your vehicle as you support your case with some fundraising revenue. The PVS operates entirely on donated funds, grants, and personal time. Having a special license plate available will provide a small steady stream of support while keeping the message of Malama Honoua alive.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 11:34:28 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kiera Usagawa	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Kā• kou!

I want to first express how truly important the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS) is to perpetuating our native Hawaiian culture both in Hawai'i and worldwide. PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would not only be very helpful to them, but it would support the increase of more electric vehicles and less carbon emissions in our struggling climate!

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i, and keep indigenous intelligence alive for generations to come. From living in many places in the world, I can't tell you how much growing up in Hawai'i surrounded by culture and place-based learning has helped me humility and gratitude for all cultures, and places on our earth,

Mahalo nui for your consideration and work to make our dreams a reality!

Sincerely,

Kiera Usagawa

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 8:51:06 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeff Schmidt	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 7:45:47 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jonathan Fisk	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I have volunteered for the Polynesian Voyaging Society for the last several years now, and understand how deeply vital HÅ• kÅ«le'a and the other wa'a are to Hawai'i and Hawaiian culture. Given that PVS operates entirely on donations and grants, any additional sources of funding is crucial for the success of the organization. This measure would not only help celebrate voyaging in Hawai'i and all PVS has accomplished, but also provide revenue to help ensure the vitality of PVS going into the future. With that said, I undoubtedly support SB2103.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 7:39:03 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Barbara Leach	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This license plate is beautiful! It supports both the beauty of Oahu (and all the islands) and the wayfinding ways of history as displayed by the sailing canoe Hokule'a. This plate supports the EV realm of the modern world. As well, it supports local pride and sends several wonderful messages to the many travelers to the islands. This lovely license plate spreads Aloha.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 6:51:48 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leea Purcell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support this bill.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 5:43:54 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marc Botticelli	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

mahalo...Marc Botticelli

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 12:28:57 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Robert Edmondson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

This license plate will honor the Hawaiian community and its achievements supported by many, many voters in Hawaii.

It will also help give financial support to the Polynesian Voyaging Society, a very worthy cause.

Mahalo, Rob Edmondson, retired UH faculty

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 10:56:10 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gary Miller	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Since many Electric Vehicle owners share the strong value of supporting a sustainable Island home, and the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS) operates entirely on donated funds and grants, this measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i, while allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Respectfully,

Gary Miller, EV owner, Island of Hawaii

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 9:26:36 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cyma Wilson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would greatly benefit the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the beautiful and incredibly important mission of PVS.

I'm a proud EV owner and a proud supporter of PVS. It would be my honor to have this license plate on my EV. Please pass this bill!

Mahalo for your time and attention.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 9:22:14 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Janlyn Ryusaki-Phillips	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of PVS in Hawai'i and allow them to fundraise for much needed monies to support their mission.

Thank you

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/3/2020 9:08:35 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Susan Lee	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Great way to fund raise money for the Voyaging Society. Beautiful plate. I would buy one!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 8:44:38 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Luisa Cox	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support the PVS and their mission. The license plate would highlight the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawaii. Allowing to serve as a fundraiser would help the mission of PVS.

Luisa Cox

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 8:48:25 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dennis Mahaffay	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 9:27:03 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nanette Vinton	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Inouye and Vice Chair Harimoto,

I am writing to support SB2013 which authorizes the issuance of special number license plates for the Polynesian Voyaging Society for electric vehicles.

As a long time and multiple EV owner, would love to be able to support the Polynesian Voyaging Society while bringing awareness to EVs with this beautiful license plate.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nanette Vinton

Mililani, Hawaii

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 10:01:15 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Judith A Mick	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha - I ask for your support for this bill as a way to honor one of the most important organizations in our state. The Polynesian Voyaging Society has changed lives for the better not just here in the islands, but all around the world. My family has been connected with PVS since Hokule'a was built and one of our ohana had the honor of sailing on her. I cannot think of any group that has done more for the youth of Hawaii. Nainoa has said if we do not pass on the knowledge and pride of our ancestors to the young, it will die with us. This bill will also help provide needed funds to go forward. Mahalo for your consideration. Judy Mick, Kailua

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 11:27:56 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kelly O'Brien	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo for your support!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 11:28:54 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ryan Scott Gorrell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As an electric vehicle owner, I would like to show my support of the Polynesian Voyaging Society through this license plate. Thank you for considering this bill that would help an important organization.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 11:31:58 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lise-Michelle	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization. The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

February 4, 2020

Honorable Lorraine Inouye, Chair
Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair
Committee on Transportation
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
Honorable Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair
Committee on Ways & Means
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RE: Testimony in Support of SB 2103, Relating to Special License Plates

Chair Inouye, Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Harimoto, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran and Committee Members,

I would like to go on record to strongly support SB 2103 to authorize the issuance of a special number license plates for the Polynesian Voyaging Society of electric vehicles.

My family and I have supported the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS) for more than 40 years. We own multiple electric vehicles and would be proud to support PVS in this way as it would provide dedicated income for the organization, which currently operates entirely on donations and grants.

I believe this bill reflects the mission of the organization to inspire communities to respect and care for themselves, each other and their natural and cultural environments. The license plate on electric vehicles would commemorate the proud history and incredible accomplishments of PVS and would also be a reminder to look to a sustainable energy future.

I strongly urge your support of HB 2103.

Sincerely,



Bert A. Kobayashi
Senior Advisor
Kobayashi Group LLC.

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 1:48:48 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Pomai Bertelmann	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha no kakou - 'O Hokule'a, ka wahine e holo i ka MoananuiĀ• kea!

The Polynesian Voyaging Society operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure and support for this funds generating effort would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to this 'ohana.

The license plate created will help to celebrate and educate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Its creation is an imprint and acknowledgement of who we are as Hawai'i. It is a reminder that it is not merely enough to say that we are Hawai'i - it is a reminder that we need to act and be Hawai'i. Your support of SB2103, and allowing it to serve as a fundraiser, would further the essence and the mission of the 'ohana of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

Mahalo for your support!

Pomaikalani Bertelmann, Waimea, Hawai'i - 'Ohana Wa'a

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 2:26:49 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Charles Coelho Jr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization. The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawaii. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS. Plus, it is totally COOL!

Mahalo

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 2:20:26 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
LYDIA FALETOI	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Legislators~

I am strongly in favor of SB2103. It is an excellent "fund raiser" for the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS), as making the plates for electric vehicles (EVs) only stays true to their core value of caring for our environment. At the same time, it will help promote the State's goal of converting to 100% renewable energy. I would buy an EV just to get that license plate!!! Add that to the SHORT list of EV benefits. But since I already am an EV owner, I would be first in line to get that PVS Hokulea plate!

Mahalo for your time and consideration~

Lydia Faletoi

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 2:16:43 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dennis Y. Fujii	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I wholeheartedly support SB 2103! Appropriate recognition and support to the PVS!

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 3:37:47 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Daryl Fong	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I currently own an electric vehicle and would be proud to support the Polynesian Voyaging Society by getting a special number license plate. The proposed image of the Hokulea is outstanding. Recommend immediate passage of this bill and authorized issuing of the new license plate.

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 3:51:29 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gary Kubota	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Feb. 4, 2020

I support SB2103 with respect to providing taxpayers the option to purchase a PVS license plate image, because it supports and promotes Hawaii history and culture.

Aloha,

Gary Kubota,

Writer

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 4:57:54 PM
Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ludvina K Takahashi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB2103. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the Polynesian Voyaging Society. What a great way to recognize Hokule'a, a symbol of Malama Honua and to express our gratitude to all those who participated and made sacrifices in the worldwide voyage.

Mahalo for your consideration and support.

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 5:50:45 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shannon Piliialoha Lind	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha, My son from Hana Maui has been on the most legs of The World wide voyage. It's our Kuleana to perpetuate our History and Culture for the Future Generations to come ...Mahalo

February 5, 2020
Conference Room 225
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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 2103 – RELATING TO SPECIAL
LICENSE PLATES

Chairwoman Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and members of the Senate
Transportation committee:

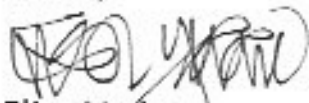
Thank you for considering SB 2103 and for the opportunity to provide
testimony in support of this measure.

My name is Elisa Yadao and like many of you, I have been a strong and
enthusiastic supporter of the Polynesian Voyaging Society and the
organization's work to create a culturally vibrant, environmentally
sustainable Hawaii based on the tenets of voyaging and exploration.

Creation of a commemorative PVS license plate for electric vehicles
would both further awareness of PVS's mission and provide our
organization a welcome source of potential funding.

All of us in the PVS family appreciate your consideration of this
measure and I urge its passage.

Aloha,



Elisa Yadao

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 6:06:20 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Eshelman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I am submitting my support for SB2103 allowing for a custom place for electric vehicles in support of the Polynesian voyaging society. We have owned an EV for 2 years and would love the option of a custom plate in support of the PVS.

The PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Andrea Eshelman

Mililani, Hawaii

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 7:01:24 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Chana Ane	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 7:02:59 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Hoapili Ane	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 8:51:00 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jolie Wanger	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

Great way to show Hawaii's proud voyaging heritage and how we are leading the voyage towards a clean energy future!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 9:28:34 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dawn Marie	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha e, aloha kakou,

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo nui loa!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/4/2020 11:14:41 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Paula Miller	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As an Electric Vehicle owner/driver, I am submitting testimony in support of SB2103.

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Respectfully,

Paula A. Miller, EV Owner, Big Island

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 12:35:48 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michelle Cabalse	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 2/5/2020 2:27:09 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
tracey ricci	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Hokule'a stands for the depth of connection between Hawaiian people and our relationship to Mother Earth and our culture. Hokule'a is a symbol of connection to all. Supporting this bill creates an additional visible reminder of the importance of our heritage. Financial support to PVS is paramount as it is one of the most organizations I have ever connected with. Their mission is as clear as their actions. I look forward to seeing these plates all over this island! I have boarded and sailed on the Hokule'a with my 2 sons, My older son Colin has since passed and his passion was environmental science and caring for our land and water has influenced many of his contemporaries. For love of the Hokule'a and in memory of my son who would be so excited about this bill - I'm am fully supportive of the passing of SB2103

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 6:48:16

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laura Luger	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

PVS, a non-profit charitable organization, survives on grants and donations. Approving this license plate will support Hawaii's voyaging legacy, and perpetuate the mission of the Polynesian Voyaging Society. Please approve this plate for the great state of Hawaii to help an organization that helps preserve our state's rich history, and that embodies the mission of saving Island Earth.

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 9:13:53 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Vance Martin	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I wholeheartedly support the effort to support the Polynesian Voyaging Society with the creation of an EV license plate. PVS and HÅ• kÅ«le'a are great assets to our community and deserve our support.

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 9:54:19 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Romelynn Stein	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am in support of SB2103

PVS operates entirely on donated funds and grants. This measure would provide a source of dedicated income which would be very helpful to the organization.

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo for your consideration!

SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 10:28:38 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Olin Lagon	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I bought the very first EV every offered commercially for sale in Hawaii (Mitsubishi iMiev) in 2012. Since then I have bought another EV. I have helped many friends get electric cars as well as teach folks on how to use electric cars to be a power backup for their home (or campsite!). I have been all in with EVs. I have also volunteered with the Polynesian Voyaging Society (PVS) and continue to volunteer as a software engineer working on their backend systems. As one who has given up half of my adult life to service, without question the work of PVS inspires not just a crazy diverse group here in our islands but worldwide. Please let us show our appreciation to this voyage we are all on with a beacon on our license plates. With every short voyage in our cars, we can have a small reflection of Malama Honua with ourselves, our passengers, and those that see this symbol. Mahalo.

LATE

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Submitted on: 2/5/2020 10:33:51 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lisa Rodrigues	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

Mahalo for your support!

Lisa Rodrigues

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Submitted on: 2/5/2020 1:16:42 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bernadette Centeio	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

My name is Bernadette Centeio and I'm a resident of Waimea, Hawaii Island. I strongly support SB2103 to create a special Hokule'a commemorative license plate for EVs in Hawaii. As an Electric Vehicle, and solar-powered-home owner, I would be so proud to show my support of the PVS by purchasing this license plate. The PVS is a cultural leader and promoter of ecological conservation and deserves to be the beneficiary of this financial support! As a state we should use every opportunity to showcase and support the PVS, and this would be a very small and easily executed way to do so. Thank you for considering my testimony.

LATE

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Submitted on: 2/5/2020 1:30:02 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ashlynn Book	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The license plate would commemorate the proud history of Polynesian Voyaging in Hawai'i. Allowing it to serve as a fundraiser would perpetuate the mission of PVS.

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SB-2103

Submitted on: 2/5/2020 3:02:36 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/5/2020 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Li Hay	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I wholeheartedly support this bill. What better way for Hawai'i to apply the proceeds of our move towards a future without fossil fuel dependency to supporting the cultural heritage of our past.