



LBD COFFEE, LLC

To: The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara and Mike Gabbard, Chairs
and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental,
and Military Affairs, and Committee on Agriculture and Environment

Date: Wednesday, February 10, 2021

Time: 1:50 p.m.

Place: Via Videoconference

From: Tai Erum, Trevyn Pless, Les Drent
for LBD Coffee, LLC

Re: SB 175 (Relating to Agriculture)

Dear Senators Nishihara and Gabbard and the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental,
and Military Affairs, and Committee on Agriculture and Environment

LBD Coffee, LLC **SUPPORTS** SB 175.

Farmers operating on land zoned for agricultural use should be exempt from the mandatory refusal section (51% majority) of HRS 281-59, and should have the right to mash, ferment, and distill their crops even if non-farming neighbors oppose an agricultural activity that dates back to the founding days of our nation.

Please amend the HRS and empower the County Liquor Commissions to grant licenses to farmers seeking a liquor manufacturing permit if the majority of the agricultural products used in the manufacturing of the liquor are grown and produced in the State by the applicant. It certainly appears that this type of farming activity is protected under HRS 165 and the right to farm in Hawaii when all other Federal, State, and County requirements have been satisfied.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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SB175 Relating to Intoxicating Liquor: Agriculture/manufacturing
Senate Committee PSM/AEN
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Position: SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS

Aloha Chair and Vice Chair

SUPPORT with amendments to include Class 18 license holders along with Class 1

I am Steve Haumschild, CEO and founder of Lanikai Brewing Company located in Kailua Hawaii, with a second location being built in Haleiwa Hawaii. I am testifying in support of this bill as an independent craft brewery producing 100% of our beer in Hawaii. Our brewery tag line is "Island Inspired" and we are the only brewery that utilizes local ingredients in 100% of our beers. We work with local farmers, growers and harvesters in addition to us growing our own products or foraging for them. We currently sell our made in Hawaii products throughout the State of Hawaii, in the Pacific Northwest as well as internationally in Australia and Japan. We are growing actively because of our reputation of creating authentic local products. The Hawaii Venture Capital Association in conjunction with the Hawaii State Legislature had issued the award of "Entrepreneur of the year" in 2019 as a result of these dedicated efforts to showcase the best of Hawaii

We recently also added a distillery and are a Class 18 license. We have been fortunate to outgrow our existing facility and actively seeking agriculture property to make our final home where we can actively grow and manage our own ingredients, not just import them. A Class 1 manufacturer is limited to only one commodity (Liquor, wine OR Beer), where as a Class 18 Small Craft Producer is permitted to make Beer, Spirits, Wine and other products. The Class 18 is very much a manufacturing license. We are fully supportive of Class 1 AND also including Class 18 licensing as an amendment to this legislation.

Mahalo for considering our support of SB 175 with amendments. This bill will further support for local manufacturing, local agriculture and general food production at commercial scale in Hawaii, supporting locally owned businesses.

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