

SR-207

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Comments:

Support as a means to ascertain impact on the health of Hawaii's citizens cause by radio frequency transmission.

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TO: Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Higher Education and
Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism

DATE: March 29, 2022

TIME: 3:00 pm

PLACE: Via Videoconference

RE: SCR 214/SR 207 REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO ESTABLISH A RELIABLE,
INDEPENDENT, AND TRANSPARENT METHODOLOGY TO ASSESS EFFECTS OF RADIO
FREQUENCY EMISSIONS GENERATED BY WIRELESS ANTENNA SITES.

POSITION: Opposed

Aloha Chairs Kim and Wakai, Vice Chairs Kidani and Misalucha and members of the committees:

We are writing on behalf of Crown Castle to respectfully oppose SCR 214/SR 207 REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO ESTABLISH A RELIABLE, INDEPENDENT, AND TRANSPARENT METHODOLOGY TO ASSESS EFFECTS OF RADIO FREQUENCY EMISSIONS GENERATED BY WIRELESS ANTENNA SITES.

We appreciate the legislature's effort to address broadband access issues this legislative session which of course must be provided safely and reliably. Our concern with this measure is that it sets a course of action at odds with federal oversight of telecommunications. Federal authority over radio waves was initially established by the creation of the Federal Communications Commission and the federal government continues to regulate telecommunications. Uniformity in the regulation of wireless phones and equipment has been a national priority. State-by-state regulation such as the path contemplated in this resolution would be contrary to that priority. Please set aside this resolution.

Crown Castle owns, operates, and leases cell towers and other telecommunications infrastructure supporting small cells and fiber solutions in Hawai'i and across the continental U.S. This portfolio of communications infrastructure connects citizens and communities to essential data, technology, and wireless service.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.