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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB0966
RELATING TO DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE**

SENATOR KARL RHOADS, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Hearing Date: 3/1/2023

Room Number: 016

- 1 **Fiscal Implications:** Unknown
- 2 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health supports this measure as it provides other
- 3 options for penalties to deter illegal dumping.
- 4 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.
- 5 **Offered Amendments:** None

SB-966

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ted Bohlen	Testifying for Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition and Climate Protectors Hawaii	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Illegal solid waste dumping spoils our 'aina and hurts us all!

Without landfill safeguards, such dumping, especially of hazardous materials and construction and demolition waste, can pollute the neighboring environment, harm health, and have negative economic consequences.

Vehicles, either commercial or personal, are usually involved in the dumping. Forfeiture pursuant to HRS c. 712A of the vehicle used in the commission of an offense and owned and operated by one convicted of the violation pursuant to HRS c. 712A is an appropriate response to curtail this criminal activity.

Please protect the environment and pass this bill!

Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition and Climate Protectors Hawaii (by Ted Bohlen)