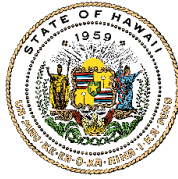


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Testimony of
DAWN N. S. CHANG
Chairperson

Before the Senate Committee on
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

1:01 PM

State Capitol, Conference Room 224

In consideration of
**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 92/SENATE RESOLUTION 85
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF LAND
AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, THE CITY AND
COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND THE COUNTY OF HAWAII, TO COLLABORATE
TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A FIVE-YEAR PILOT PROGRAM TO
MITIGATE AND CONTROL THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE POPULATION
OF FERAL CHICKENS, ROOSTERS, AND PIGS.**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 92/Senate Resolution 85 recognize that feral chickens, roosters, and pigs have become a nuisance in suburban and urban areas, and their populations and impacts are increasing. It requests the Department of Agriculture, Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department), Department of Health, the City and County of Honolulu, and the County of Hawaii to collaborate to establish and implement a five-year pilot program to mitigate and control feral chickens, roosters, and pigs. **The Department offers the following comments.**

The Department controls populations of feral chickens (including hens and roosters) and pigs on lands under its jurisdiction, with a heavy emphasis on fencing forested lands to prevent deforestation and the spread of invasive plant species and Rapid 'Ōhi'a Death (ROD) from pigs and other hoofed animals. However, the Department does not have the capacity to implement nuisance chicken and pig control on private and county lands. The Department believes efforts to suppress feral chicken and pig populations in suburban and urban areas are best led by the respective counties. The Department notes that rats, cats and mongooses pose an even larger threat to native and endangered forest birds, seabirds, shorebirds, and migratory birds as they eat adult

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birds, chicks, and eggs, and their range is from the shoreline all the way up into the upland forests. There are examples of entire native bird colonies in Hawai'i being killed by a single cat.

Cats also pose a particular threat to native species in Hawai'i as their feces carries a parasite that carries the disease toxoplasmosis - a leading cause of death in the endangered Hawaiian monk seal. Toxoplasmosis quickly causes inflammation and organ failure in Hawaiian monk seals. When it rains, stormwater picks up toxoplasmosis from dissolved cat feces in yards, streets, sidewalks, drainage canals, and in nature and empties into the ocean waters surrounding the islands. Twenty percent (20%) of households in Hawai'i own cats, and half of those cat-owning households allow their cats outside, which means that their feces plus the feces of stray cats, is impacting the marine environment through rain runoff. Toxoplasmosis is in the water column and in Hawaiian monk seal prey (crab, shrimp, lobster, fish, squid, octopus). Toxoplasmosis has also been found to affect and harm Hawaiian spinner dolphins, and 'Alalā (Hawaiian crow) which prey on mice and smaller animals that have toxoplasmosis from eating cat feces or drinking affected water.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments on these measures.

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**TESTIMONY OF SHARON HURD
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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

**MARCH 29, 2023
1:01 PM
CONFERENCE ROOM 224**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 92

**REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH, THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND THE COUNTY OF HAWAII,
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PROGRAM TO MITIGATE AND CONTROL THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE
POPULATION OF FERAL CHICKENS, ROOSTERS, AND PIGS.**

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Chairperson Gabbard and Members of the Committee:

SCR92 Requests the Department of Agriculture (HDOA), Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Health, the City and County of Honolulu, and the County of Hawaii, to collaborate to establish a five-year pilot program to mitigate and control the significant increase in the population of feral chickens, roosters and pigs.

The pilot program is to begin in the areas of Moanalua, Kalihi, Kalaeloa, and Kapolei in the City and County of Honolulu and the Puna area in the County of Hawaii, and the HDOA is requested to submit an interim report regarding the five-year pilot program to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular session of 2026, and a final report to the Legislature no later than



twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular session of 2028. The HDOA opposes this resolution for the following reasons and offers comments and recommendations.

The HDOA opposes the resolution because SCR92 also requires that the five-year pilot program 1) Provide free traps to members of the public to capture feral animals; 2) Collect traps containing the captured feral animals; and 3) Return of empty traps to the members of the public. HDOA does not have the personnel or financial resources to support operational or field work activities for these types of animal control projects. Providing, collecting and returning traps, and disposition of captured animals is costly, labor intensive and requires training and a fleet of suitable vehicles to implement the program.

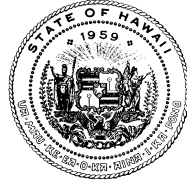
In addition, nuisance and identified threats from feral chickens and roosters primarily involve urban areas. Feral pigs are often associated with public lands not under the HDOA's control. Consequently, the HDOA should not be the agency to manage this project. Feral chicken control is best accomplished by the counties because it is under their jurisdiction and the counties can objectively target urban areas. Feral pigs, as with other wild game, is best managed by DLNR.

The HDOA comments that we can be a partner in the five-year pilot program, providing technical information to other agencies, such as restricted use products.

The recommendation is that a task force be established to determine the agency with the skillsets and resources to establish and implement the five-year program to take the lead. The task force would include representatives from federal, state and county agencies, agriculture associations, hunting clubs, and the University of Hawaii. The task force would secure a contractor via the Request for Proposals method of procurement, with a scope of services that includes measurable, science-based, and realistic actions, collaboration with agencies and agriculture/commodity/hunting groups,

with milestones for reporting dates and with the option to request additional funding or extending the time of performance.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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**Testimony in OPPOSITION to SCR092/SR0085
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF
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AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND THE COUNTY OF HAWAII, TO
COLLABORATE TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A FIVE-YEAR PILOT
PROGRAM TO MITIGATE AND CONTROL THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN
THE POPULATION OF FERAL CHICKENS, ROOSTERS, AND PIGS.**

SENATOR MIKE GABBARD, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Hearing Date: 3/29/2023 Room Number: 224

1 **Fiscal Implications:** This resolution may impact the priorities identified in the Governor's
2 Executive Budget Request for the Department of Health's (Department) appropriations and
3 personnel priorities.

4 **Department Testimony:** The Department opposes this resolution because the Vector Control
5 Branch is not equipped and not staffed for feral chicken or pig control. Managing the
6 widespread use of live animal traps is an intensive activity requiring equipment and workforce.

7 Because feral chickens and feral pigs themselves are not a threat to public health, the
8 Department should not be the lead agency to control these feral animals. The resolution proposes
9 responsibilities to the Department regardless of human health hazards, and most actions under
10 this resolution will therefore extend beyond human health hazards; thereby expanding the
11 Department's responsibilities.

12 Animal (feral chickens, roosters, and pigs) control activities are better suited for agencies
13 already providing feral animal control or the Counties. This pilot program may also require
14 additional funding and resources.

15 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

16 **Offered Amendments:** None

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/22/2023 4:18:04 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:28:17 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Faith	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:30:50 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Fa'apona	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:34:09 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kaya	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support .

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:34:15 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Lahaole Nuuanu	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:36:30 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Paxtyn	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:36:37 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cy Ridiros	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

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SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:36:42 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Shayla-hope	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose to this bill because chickens, roosters, and pigs are apart of our food chain.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:37:01 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Braydon Delos santos-asada	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

implement a five year pilot program to mitigate and control the significant increase in the population of feral chickens, roosters, and pigs. I don't agree with the mitigate of the rosters chickens and pigs because i those as food and Hawaii people connect back to ancestors by hunting.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:37:08 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Aiyannah	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill because it doesn't make sense your taking away something that makes up hawai'i

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 9:37:51 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jayven Okuda	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill because pigs have been part o mea Hawai'i. Maybe we do need to control more of where the chickens are so that they dont disrupt anyone, protecting native manu and people.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 10:09:08 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ryley	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support this bill because chickens is our food and animal and i feel that we do not need to get rid of chickens

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 10:48:33 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kalei	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I AM IN SUPPORT TO REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, AND THE COUNTY OF HAWAII, TO COLLABORATE TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A FIVE-YEAR PILOT PROGRAM TO MITIGATE AND CONTROL THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE POPULATION OF FERAL CHICKENS, ROOSTERS, AND PIGS.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 10:56:52 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Amariah Washington	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:00:20 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Hoku	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I disagree with this bill because i feel like chickens and pigs play a big role in our food chain because they are our source of food and chickens don't bother anyone.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:05:17 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Tatiana	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I dont support this cause chicken and pigs are a Food source. I think is better to leave them alone for hunters. Hunting is apart of some cultures and keeps them connected.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:06:21 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ariana	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I think that we shouldn't kill our boars and chickens because that food for Hawaiian and others. Boars are hunted for people. I get boar and chickens might be loud and messy and ruin our land. Cats are a real problem who really do effect our land. I do not support killing our food.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:06:47 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrei	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support this bill. Why would you lessen our food source.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:07:52 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
maka	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I don't support this because their taking away our food source.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:08:00 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Vailini-Seini Keola-Kuapahi	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose because we're killing off our food sources and not the stray animals that are infesting the streets of Hawai'i. Chickens, roosters, and pigs are animals who were here before us and will still be here after. Cats more than anything should be the ones being hunted because of the diseases they carry and they are NOT a food source.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:08:20 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kaylie Sonoda	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Are the government going to kill those animals?

are they going to move them to some where diffrent? Wont they get invasive their too?

willthey check the animals to see if they have diseases before they kill them?

After they kill the animals will they give them to grocery stores?

I dont agree with this bill because the government is taking away from our food source, what are their plans for the animals, and will their be scientists to check them to make sure those animals are healthy for us to eat?

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:08:25 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jade marie	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

What will the state do with the chicken and pigs will they move them to another island? Or would we kill them and if we do what will we do with the dead bodies and will they test it for any diseases if we can still eat it. Not only that if we get rid of chickens and pigs we are getting rid of our food source. Is there a way we can just capture those feral chicken/pigs and put them in a farm instead of just killing them since we still need a food source here and if most of our food is getting shipped what will we do if we don't have shipments coming in and the whole island doesn't have food we will need some sort of food source here.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:08:33 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jeizen	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose because chicken is good food and Pig is even better than chicken

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:12:03 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Taelyn Young	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this because its not fair that we are kicking them off our land and kill our food source which will make us rely on the ships to bring in food. If the ships stop coming what will we have to rely on after that.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:13:01 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Keaka Larinaga-Claver	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support this bill because Chicken and Pigs are a big part Hawaiian families food source. If this bill goes through what will they do with the Chicken and Pigs?

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:14:34 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kuakahela sales- Rodrigues	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:14:45 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alyssa-lia Chong-gum	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill because we are killing off our food source and if we do kill them off what are we gonna eat.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:14:56 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
jaani	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I do not support of tis bill at all.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:16:25 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Karlee Jo Taumua	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am not in support of this bill because these our are food that we eat if the shipments from the mainland stopped coming in. We can't kick our animals out there own home.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:16:26 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Hunter	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill because chickens and boars are our natural resources but if you just keep at a certain level of the population then I'm good.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:17:53 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Trico	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

It just wrong to get rid of a hole ecosystem

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:18:04 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kaipookala Mahoe	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I have something of my question about these animal because why do the government was trying to do the chickens from killing them and puting them to the grocery store. If I would tell about the food crop how did they do that to the chicken if there were fighting about it. If I Share this testimony of Commets of the SCR92 I would tell about the important things about these chicken from the people that could kill the animal of the chicken it would be series about the feral population of the rooster, chicken, and Pigs.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 11:18:26 AM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Patrick	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Theres a chance that it might World to well and it could cause the island to overpopulate with the animals that they are trying to increase.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:09:29 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kiera faatafa-pasion	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in support of this Bill

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:12:20 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Aleena Sanabria	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

In support

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:15:07 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Isaiah	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I'm okay with it but I have some pros and cons for this bill. I get that you want to get rid of the noise and them digging up plants and our natives but let me tell you this. If we were to get no food, the chickens and pigs would be our only option pus they are part of our cultures tradition.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:16:56 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jace kawamata	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Peronally my opinion thinks that these animals been here way before back to the finding hawaii age and its basically part of hawaii.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:17:19 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Shaine	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. Yes the chickens and the roosters and the pigs cause damage. But they have a significant role in our food chain. If we remove the chickens, roosters, and the pigs, it will cause a problem in the food chain. It will affect the little self sustainability the people of hawaii already have. The people of hawaii eat these pigs. That is one source of food we dont need to depend on anybody for. I oppose this bill because it has been apart of the Hawaiian culture, for many, many years. It will cause a problem. We have a right to our culture and a right to have those pigs on our island for food to be self sustainable.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:17:22 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Riley	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I understand the growing population of chickens, roosters, and pigs but I believe these animals have held a part in culture through out the islands. I feel has we should lower the chicken and pig populations to a point. Pigs hold a unique part in the Hawaiian culture and I would hate to see them go.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:17:26 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Shayden Afoa	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

i support to an extent

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:17:49 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kayla	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I think we should leave the chickens, roosters, and pigs alone because they are also food and can bring our natural food sources down.

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:19:33 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kobe Guevara	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Not support

SCR-92

Submitted on: 3/28/2023 2:19:42 PM

Testimony for AEN on 3/29/2023 1:01:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jesus Salazar	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I don't think they should with the pigs but with the chickens its fine .

Testimony supporting SCR 92:

Feral chickens and roosters have become a widespread problem on Oahu. They are everywhere. Every morning we are awakened as early as 3:00 am by the crowing of feral roosters. They are so noisy that even closing our windows does not eliminate the sound. Their widespread presence in our community has become a threat to our health and safety. Not only are we not able to get a good night's sleep but these feral chickens and roosters poop everywhere. This is not only unsanitary but is also a blight to the beauty of our neighborhood as poop is everywhere...on walkways, railings and fence walls.

It's difficult to understand why bills to mitigate this problem have not made it out of committee as so many in the community are voicing their displeasure about this public health nuisance. By providing traps and collecting the traps containing these animals, we as a community can be part of the solution. As it is, even if we were able to catch these animals now, there is no safe and humane way of disposing of them.

As our elected officials, we urge you to support SCR 92. Let us get a handle on this every increasing problem before it's too late.

Thank you.