



To: The Senate Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts (TCA)

and

Senate Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs (PSM)

From: Sherry Pollack, Co-Founder, 350Hawaii.org

Date: Monday, March 24, 2025, 3:00 pm

# In support of SR179/SCR199 WITH AMENDMENTS

Aloha Chairs Lee, and Elefante, Vice Chairs Inouye and Wakai, and members of the TCA and PSM committees,

I am Co-Founder of the Hawaii chapter of 350.org, the largest international organization dedicated to fighting climate change. 350Hawaii SUPPORTS WITH AMENDMENTS SR179/SCR199, which takes a critical look at the impact that foreign influence on our critical infrastructure may have on our physical and economic security. We strongly urge the Committees to specifically call out the extreme vulnerabilities that would be created by the current proposal to import liquefied natural gas, or methane, to meet our islands' energy needs.

For example, the storage of imported methane in a floating offshore facility and the transport of this methane to shore-based receiving facilities create obvious vulnerabilities to our energy infrastructure. Whether through foreign attack, natural disasters, broken supply chains impeding critical maintenance and timely repairs, or other causes, the loss of operational capacity of this planned infrastructure would have significant and potentially irreparable economic, environmental, and physical impacts, among others. Moreover, the incredibly high volatility of foreign methane prices and the lack of any concrete plans to develop a more reliable and stable source of energy will also leave our energy infrastructure as well as our residents' pocketbooks highly vulnerable to economic impacts from foreign forces far beyond our control.

Please amend this resolution to specifically acknowledge how the current plan to import foreign methane to meet our energy needs will render our energy infrastructure - as well as our environment, economy, and physical security - incredibly vulnerable to myriad threats.

Please PASS WITH AMENDMENTS SCR179/ SCR199. Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter.

Sherry Pollack Co-Founder, 350Hawaii.org

## **SCR-199**

Submitted on: 3/24/2025 1:31:01 PM

Testimony for TCA on 3/24/2025 3:00:00 PM



Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dave Mulinix	Testifying for Greenpeace Hawaii	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Aloha Chairs Lee and Elefante, Vice Chairs Inouye and Wakai, and Members of the Committees,

My name is Dave Mulinix, Hawaii State Representative of Greenpeace Hawaii, and on behalf of our thousands of members and supporters statewide we Stand in STRONG **SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS** of SR179/SCR199, which takes a critical look at the impact that foreign influence on our critical infrastructure may have on our physical and economic security.

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Please take all these concerns into consideration and **PASS WITH AMENDMENTS SCR179/SCR199.** 

Mahalo,

Dave Mulinix, CoFounder & Hawaii State Representative

Greenpeace Hawaii

SCR-199 Submitted on: 3/21/2025 2:24:46 PM

Testimony for TCA on 3/24/2025 3:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Frank Schultz	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this initiative.

SCR-199 Submitted on: 3/21/2025 2:43:43 PM

Testimony for TCA on 3/24/2025 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
B.A. McClintock	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please support this important bill. Mahalo.

SCR-199 Submitted on: 3/23/2025 1:50:24 PM

Testimony for TCA on 3/24/2025 3:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dylan P. Armstrong	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

In support without elaboration, for none is needed.

## **SCR-199**

Submitted on: 3/24/2025 1:48:19 PM

Testimony for TCA on 3/24/2025 3:00:00 PM



Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kylie Hopkins	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Aloha Chairs Elefante and Lee, Vice Chairs Wakai and Inouye, and Members of the Committees,

My name is Kylie Hopkins, and I **SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS** SR179, which takes a critical look at the impact that foreign influence on our critical infrastructure may have on our physical and economic security. I strongly urge the Committees to specifically call out the extreme vulnerabilities that would be created by the current proposal to import liquefied natural gas, or methane, to meet our islands' energy needs.

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Accordingly, please **PASS WITH AMENDMENTS** SCR179. Mahalo nui for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

**Kylie Hopkins** 



# **SCR-199**

Submitted on: 3/24/2025 2:31:21 PM

Testimony for TCA on 3/24/2025 3:00:00 PM

_	Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
	Kristel Whippy	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/24/2025 2:49:33 PM

Testimony for TCA on 3/24/2025 3:00:00 PM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Madison Owens	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

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