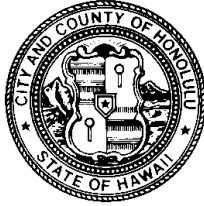


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January 31, 2025

**LATE**

The Honorable Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
The Honorable Senator Brandon JC Elefante, Vice Chair  
and Members of the Committee on Water and Land  
State Capitol  
Senate Conference Room 229  
415 South Beretania Avenue  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair Elefante and Committee Members

Subject: Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 366

On behalf of the City and County of Honolulu – Department of Facility Maintenance, I strongly support SB366 for its focus and attention to the environmental stewardship of the State's delicate watersheds.

The Bill allows personal property left along the streams and tributaries to be removed in a reasonable and timely manner by the State which will mitigate adverse impact to an island's precious water resource when left abandoned. This is evident in the recent storms on O'ahu that have impacted the Ala Wai canal with excessive debris including abandoned property.

We thank Senator Moriwaki for introducing SB366. Her earnest efforts and commitment to address the concern along with her collaboration with the City she has taken on this specific matter is very appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gene C. Albano, P.E.  
Director and Chief Engineer Designate

cc: DRM

**SB-366**

Submitted on: 1/31/2025 7:20:40 PM

Testimony for WTL on 2/3/2025 1:06:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Jacob Wiencek	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Committee Members,

Proper stream clearance and maintenance is crucial for a sustainable ecosystem and functioning infrastructure. During inclement weather and natural disasters, clogged streams add to the damage that can be wrought.

I strongly urge the Committee to SUPPORT this bill!

**SB-366**

Submitted on: 2/1/2025 11:05:27 AM

Testimony for WTL on 2/3/2025 1:06:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Denise Boisvert	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I fully SUPPORT this bill because it will help to reduce the amount of trash that ends up floating down to the Ala Wai Canal. The trash makes the canal look disgusting, and is not what Waikiki visitors and residents be forced to see. It also is disgusting to see when it ends up in the harbor and pollutes the ocean.

**SB-366**

Submitted on: 2/1/2025 11:39:36 AM

Testimony for WTL on 2/3/2025 1:06:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Kim Jorgensen	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I SUPPORT this bill; please pass it. The trash that is washed into the streams not only hurts the stream water quality, but pollutes the Ala Wai and eventually the ocean.