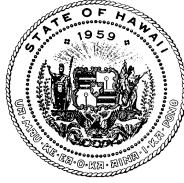


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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB0946 SD2 HD1  
RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT.**

REPRESENTATIVE MARK J. HASHEM, CHAIR  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND

March 18, 2025; 10:00 AM; Room Number: 411

- 1 **Fiscal Implications:** Undetermined.
- 2 **Department Position:** The Department of Health (“Department”) supports this measure.
- 3 **Department Testimony:** The Environmental Management Division Clean Water Branch
- 4 (EMD-CWB) provides this testimony on behalf of the Department supporting this measure.
- 5 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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TO: Representative Mark J. Hashem, Chair  
Representative Rachele F. Lamosao, Vice Chair  
Committee on Water and Land

FROM: Richard T. Bissen, Jr., Mayor  
Shayne Agawa, Director for the Department of Environmental Management

DATE: March 17, 2025

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF SB946 SD2 HD1, RELATING TO WASTEWATER  
MANAGEMENT**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **SUPPORT** of this important measure which clarifies that the prohibition against discharging wastewater or raw sewage into state waters after 12/31/2026 applies to treatment plants.

We appreciate legislation considering our comment testimony and therefore we are in support of this measure.

Mahalo for your consideration.

**SB-946-HD-1**

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 11:08:21 PM

Testimony for WAL on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ted Bohlen	Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition **SUPPORTS** this bill with the HD1 amendments:

1. clarifying that the restrictions apply only to treatment plants and
2. removing the undefined "clean energy" language.

Mahalo!

Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition (by Ted Bohlen)