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TESTIMONY ONLY

**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB0946 SD2 HD2  
RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGMENT.**

REPRESENTATIVE DAVID A. TARNAS, CHAIR  
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

March 27, 2025; 2:00 PM; Room Number: 325

- 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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March 26, 2025

TO: The Honorable David A. Tarnas, Chair  
House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

FROM: Alice L. Lee  
Council Chair 

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF MARCH 27, 2025; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF TO SB946, SD2, HD2, RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT**

I **support** this measure to clarify the prohibition on discharging wastewater or raw sewage into State waters after December 31, 2026, includes treatment plants.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I **support** this measure for the following reasons:

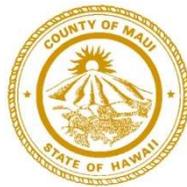
1. By refining discharge regulations, this measure would enable the Central Maui Wastewater Reclamation Facility to move forward without expensive delays.
2. The proposed Central Maui Wastewater Reclamation Facility is a much-needed project to serve existing and planned developments throughout the Waikapū and Wailuku areas and State of Hawai'i projects in Pūlehunui.

Thank you for your consideration.

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TO: Representative David A. Tarnas, Chair  
Representative Mahina Poepoe, Vice Chair  
Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs

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

DATE: March 26, 2025

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF SB946 SD2 HD2, 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 includes treatment plants.

We appreciate the commitment of the legislators to hear this bill and support this measure as is.

Mahalo for your consideration.

**SB-946-HD-2**

Submitted on: 3/25/2025 10:20:42 PM

Testimony for JHA on 3/27/2025 2:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Chanara Casey Richmond	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support SB946. Chanara Richmond. HD42

**SB-946-HD-2**

Submitted on: 3/27/2025 6:56:24 AM

Testimony for JHA on 3/27/2025 2:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Uilani Naipo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this measure.