HB850 HD1

RELATING TO FISHING.

Designates the Lana'i community-based fishery resource management area. Establishes the Lana'i community-based fishery resource management area advisory committee to develop a community-based fishery resource management area program to implement traditional fishery management practices on the island of Lana'i.

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Testimony of WILLIAM J. AILA, JR. Chairperson

Before the Senate Committee on WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

Thursday, March 17, 2011 1:15 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 225

In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 850, HOUSE DRAFT 1
RELATING TO FISHING

House Bill 850, House Draft 1 would establish a community-based fishery resource management area around the Island of Lanai, an advisory committee within the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department), to develop traditional fishery management practices, and to advise the Department on proposed rules for the take of fishery resources. It also proposes an unspecified sum to be expended in Fiscal Year 2012 for the program's development, and includes an effective date of July 1, 3000. The Department opposes this bill.

Establishing an advisory committee within the Department to provide advice on bill provisions relating to developing a plan for rule adoption, prioritizing important species for management and understanding their life cycles, other education and enforcement initiatives, would conflict with the existing mission of the Department, and would add another layer of management to the decision-making process. This would require Department staff to assist the committee on the bill's new initiatives, increase expenses, and tax an already-deficient manpower situation.

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 850, HD1

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee:

The Hawai'i Chapter of the Sierra Club, with 8,000 dues-paying members and supporters, *supports* HB 850, HD1. This measure would establish a Lana'i community-based fishery resource management area, creates an advisory committee within DLNR, and advises DLNR on fishing rules.

The Sierra Club supports efforts to allow the community to have a greater voice in the management of their unique resources. This measure could be a model or test pilot for similar programs around the state.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.

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WE SUPPORT THIS ACT,..."Establishes the Lana'i community-based fishery resource management area advisory committee to develop a community-based fishery resource management area program to implement traditional fishery management practices on the island of Lana'i."

Testimony before the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing

H.B. 850, H.D. 1 -- Relating to Fishing

Thursday, March 17, 2011 1:15 p.m., Conference Room 225

By Robbie Alm Executive Vice-President Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon, and Members of the Committee,

This testimony is being submitted on behalf of Hawaiian Electric Company and its subsidiary utility, Maui Electric Company.

We support H.B. 850, H.D. 1 which is intended to incorporate indigenous resource practices in establishing a community-based fishery resource management area for the island of Lanai. During community meetings on the proposed wind farm project and in discussions during the community's visioning process we heard concerns about overfishing and how it threatened the island's subsistence lifestyle. This bill will help to address those concerns by creating an advisory committee of Lanai residents with knowledge of traditional practices in the management of fishery resources. It enables the committee to develop and implement a community-based fishery resource management area program for the island to promote the sustainable use of marine resources.

This bill is among several bills that have been introduced this legislative session which address some concerns and desires raised by residents during community discussions on the wind farm project. If the wind farm is built on Lanai and the power sent to Oahu, it seems only fair to provide the island with the resources necessary to meet critical community needs. We strongly urge this committee to pass this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Comments:

Senator Dela Cruz Senator Solomon Members WLH

Aloha All

Oahu the economic base of Hawaii Nei now with a million people has for decade's contributed to Lanai"s infrastructure. For years tugs and ship's that supply Lanai with food and goods have come through Honolulu and Honolulu Harbor, medicine and perishable goods are flown in from Honolulu daily. Honolulu the center for transporting good's and services.

this hasn't come without cost to Oahu and Oahu's people . Now Our Own Hawaiian Electric is mandated to provide a percentage of renewable energy and Lanai is suddenly over fished, Lanai is not an easy leap for fisher's. with treacherous Channel's to cross it remain's pristine, Current State Laws already provide for resource protection, The ocean feeds all of us from Niihau to the

Current State Laws already provide for resource protection, The ocean feeds all of us from Niihau to the Big Island but mainly it KEEP's Hawaii Sustainable, these waters remain abundant because of Hawaii's vastness, We no dough respect Hawaiian Kupuna, But management area's in Hawaii are as normally defined " fishers out and everyone else in", Hawaiian Fisher's as well.

Mahalo for allowing me the opportunity to provide testimony.

Carl Paoo Jellings Sr.

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I support this bill because this is what the community wants it came about for 3yrs of meetings. With the wind mills in the near future this bill would be a good measure to the community. You look 1/4 of the island gone are ocean resources are depleted and the people want to fix what we can this bill would help us work with government that is not a bad deal.

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