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Submitted on: 2/6/2013 Testimony for HTH/AGL on Feb 8, 2013 13:45PM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alex Franco	Hawaii Cattlemen's Council	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Chris Manfredi	Ka'u Farm Bureau	Oppose	No

Comments: Please hold this bill. Roundup and similar products are less toxic than table salt. If you want to see farmers cost of production increase, increasing the cost of local food coupled with a reduction in competitiveness of Hawaii's local produce, then pass this bill. If you want more quality local food at competitive prices, hold this ill-conceived bill. Thank you.

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Glyphosate is one of the least harmful and most helpful herbicides available to the land manager for resource management. I am a graduate of UH-Hilo College of Agriculture and specialized in weed science. I have now worked for Kealia Ranch for over 20 years and use glyphosate in our weed control program. We are cooperators with the NRCS, and have worked extensively on invasive species control for land management. Do not take this useful tool away. If so, I believe there will be abuse of other more harmful products by those who are desperate to replace glyphosate, without proper training for these products. Respectfully submitted,

Sara Moore

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Brian Kaulupali	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please do not take away a very important tool used in the Golf course industry

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Carolyn Wong	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Glyphosate aka Round Up is among the least harmful chemicals available in Hawaii for managing unwanted vegetation. It has a very short half-life and if used properly doesn't pose a significant health or environmental risk. Are the writers of this bill aware that the State of Hawaii is probably the largest user of glyphosate in Hawaii? How do you think they control all the weeds on the sides of the state roads? Lets redirect this energy into looking for ways to improve our state's biosecurity and stop new weeds and other pests (and the associated need to manage them) from getting here in the first place. Mahalo.

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SB 649 Prohibits the sale, transfer, distribution, and use of any product containing any amount of glyphosate within the State

I oppose this bill. USDA and FDA approvals are based on a systematic review of the available scientific information, and we should support their science-based approvals. In addition, having common standards nation-wide provides a level playing field for agriculture throughout the nation. Hawaii producers have enough hurdles to success without adding more.

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Michelle Jones	Individual	Oppose	No

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Michelle Jones	Individual	Oppose	No

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Stephanie Whalen	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: It is not practical to initiate a process where single pesticides are banned legislatively. This particular compound has not been documented to cause any health effects. Health and safety should continue to be the priority for legislation not philosophical preferences or biases.

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Tyler jones	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Glyphosate is critical is invasive weed management. Other herbicide options are more expensive, less effective and more harmful to the environment. Hand control of weeds requires the extensive use of small engine based equipment which spew greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful pollutants into the air, therefore offsetting any ecological benefits gained from not using glyphosate and costing much more. Listen to the farmers and lands managers not the uniformed that sit behind desks and come up with "ideas" despite never having farmed or managed land.

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Ashley M. Stokes	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Passing of this bill would remove a very effective tool available for all sectors of agriculture to control weeds. Weed control is very costly and the use of this chemical allows for adequate control. All herbicides should be handled appropriately and farmers are taught proper handling. This herbicide should not be banned.

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Bryan Taylor	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Do not ban as only type of product that can eliminate noxious plants where needed. I do not feel it possesses any danger and is a safe product to use.

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J. Tamaru	Individual	Support	No

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James Russell	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The use of glyphosate in the golf and landscape industry is extremely important. With proper use the chemical can effectively kill the targeted weeds without harm to the surrounding environment. If forced to use alternative methods or chemicals the labor or costs of other chemicals would negatively impact the industry, and thus Hawaii as a whole will be negatively affected.

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Rick Dunwell	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I manage 45 golf holes and 60+ acres of open/landscape right of way areas on Lanai and rely HEAVILY on glyphosate to control weeds. The use of this chemical allows our Crews to focus on more important operations and less on pulling weeds. When used properly and sparingly, glyphosate reduces weeds, weed production and beautifies our golf courses and landscape areas.

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Jennifer Conklin	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass this bill. We have enough pesticides and herbicides going into our food and aina. Enough is enough. Why don't we try to make Hawaii more health via organic and gmo free ways. Thank you, Jennifer Conklin, Niu Valley, Oahu

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Robert Petricci	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Feb 8, 2013 1:45 PM RE:SB649 Support Aloha Chairman Green and committee members. As an organic farmer I support SB649. Please join me in support of a cleaner, safer environment for our future. Support SB649. Thank you. Robert Petricci

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Scott Taniyama	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: To whom it may concern, I strongly oppose banning glyphosate in Hawaii which is one of the safest herbicides on the market. By banning this, it opens the door to using much more toxic herbicides. How is this helping our Aina? Please do not pass this measure. Thank you, Scott Taniyama

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