

To Protect & Promote Sustainable Public Hunting in Hawaii

Testimony from The Hawaii Hunting Association

Committee WATER AND LAND SCR145

DATE: Monday, April 14, 2014 TIME: 10:00 AM PLACE: Conference Room 224

SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENT

Support with the following amendment to the Resolution and that is the inclusion of game animals whereas they were removed without ratification from the 1978 Constitutional Amendment Title XI of the Hawaii Constitution. We would amend this important resolution to correct that misleading impression left by the Conventions failure to ratify those changes. We would amend the Senate Concurrent Resolution to read as follows;

WHEREAS, article XI, section 1, of the Hawaii State Constitution provides:

"For the benefit of present and future generations, the State and its political subdivisions shall conserve and protect Hawaii's natural beauty and all natural resources, including land, water, **game animals**, air, minerals and energy sources, and shall promote the development and utilization of these resources in a manner consistent with their conservation and in furtherance of the self-sufficiency of the State."

Game animals were removed from the wording without being ratified back in 1978 and it is important to address and include our game animals as important cultural and sustainability resources.

Much Aloha,

Tom Lodge, Hawaii Hunting Association

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Comments: Amend that section of the Resolution to include "game animals" that were inappropriately removed without ratification during the 1978 Constitutional Convention of Article XI Section 1 of the Hawaii State Constitution.

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Comments: I support . Why should we have to go through asking DLNR to do there Fiduciary responsibility "there job" ????

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HAWAII SPORTSMEN ALLIANCE

SUPPORTING SCR 145, SD1

Senate Concurrent Resolution

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND Rep. Cindy Evans, Chair Rep. Nicole E. Lowen, Vice Chair Committee Members

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The Hawaii Sportsmen Alliance strives for balanced conservation and wise use of all our natural resources.

WHEREAS, article XI, section 1, of the Hawaii State Constitution provides:

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All public natural resources are held in trust by the State for the benefit of the people.";

Let us not forget that our **game** animals are a natural resource of the State. The deletion appears to be one of the unspecified changes submitted for ratification under Question 34. A number of the proposed amendments were not validly ratified. If the proposed amendment alters the sense, meaning or effect of any provision of the Constitution, it was not ratified and is not effective to change the language of the Constitution.

The Hawaii Sportsmen Alliance understands the difficult task that DLNR has in managing all of our natural resources, but leveraging state money with federal funds has many unintended consequences. At some point we need to all come together and find that balance before it is really to late.

Mahalo, Hawaii Sportsmen Alliance 614 Haihai St Hilo, Hi. 96720 NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII





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Testimony of WILLIAM J. AILA, JR. Chairperson

Before the House Committee on WATER & LAND

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In consideration of

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 145, SENATE DRAFT 1\ URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO AFFIRM ITS COMMITMENT TO MAKE THE STATE THE LEAD IN THE CONSERVATION, MANAGEMENT, AND PROTECTION OF HAWAII'S NATURAL RESOURCES AND TO RESIST EFFORTS BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND FEDERAL JURISDICTION OVER HAWAII'S NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE DESIGNATION OF CRITICAL HABITATS, EXPANSION OF CURRENT CO-MANAGER RELATIONSHIPS, OR THE CREATION OF NEW CO-MANAGER RELATIONSHIPS

Senate Concurrent Resolution 145, Senate Draft 1 urges the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to affirm its commitment to make the state the lead in the conservation, management, and protection of Hawaii's natural resources and to resist efforts by the federal government to expand federal jurisdiction over Hawaii's natural resources in the designation of critical habitats, expansion of co-manager relationships, or the creation of new co-manager relationships. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) offers the following comments.

The Department has taken the lead on many initiatives to conserve and manage Hawaii's natural resources and is committed to remain in this leadership role. The Department also will continue to advance the state's interests by working closely with the federal government on issues such as the designation of critical habitats, and the expansion and creation of co-manager relationships.

However, the Department must work within the constraints of the legal framework as well as funding. Currently, state dollars are leveraged by federal funds to support several of our programs. Given adequate resources to provide active protection of endangered species, the Department can reduce the number of listed species and the designation of critical habitat. Similarly, the Department is better positioned to take the lead in co-manager relationships when it can provide staff and funding commensurate to the federal government's investments. In addition to the Department's commitment to seek a leadership role, providing increased capacity

to the Department will expand the state's influence over the management and protection of Hawaii's public trust resources.

The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments.

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