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**Testimony of
CARTY S. CHANG
Interim Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
WATER & LAND**

**Monday, February 9, 2015
10:00AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325**

**In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 1041
RELATING TO HUNTING**

House Bill 1041 proposes to establish a game commission within the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor and the Board of Land and Natural Resources (Board) and makes an appropriation. **The Department provides the following comments and concerns.**

The Department is committed to enhancing public hunting and increasing hunting opportunities. For example, nearly 900,000 acres of the 1 million acres managed by the Department's Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) are available for public hunting. However, the Department has concerns with the proposed game commission for the following reasons:

The proposed game commission conflicts with the Department's existing legal mandates, rules, and operating capacity. Several of the duties outlined in the bill go beyond the advisory capacity of a typical advisory commission. For example, the proposed section 183D- (c) states that the game commission "may adjust existing departmental policies and procedures relating to hunting, particularly regarding chapter 183D, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), and chapters 13-122, 13-123, and 13-124, Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR)." However, the Board of Land and Natural Resources is the decision making body of the Department.

CARTY S. CHANG
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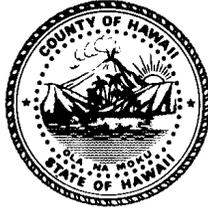
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- Providing the commission ability to adjust administrative rules circumvents the rulemaking process required by Chapter 91, HRS.
- Providing the game commission this authority is inconsistent with sections 171-6(4), 183D-3, and 195D-6, HRS, which mandates that the Board or the Department adopt rules for the regulation of lands, hunting, and wildlife (both endangered and introduced).
- Chapter 13-124, HAR regulates indigenous wildlife, endangered and threatened wildlife, and introduced wild birds, which are not directly relevant to the purposes of the game commission.
- Providing the game commission powers to approve a five-year game management plan as proposed by section 183D- (d)(2) conflicts with the mandate of the Department to set policies and plans regarding game management pursuant to chapter 195D, HRS.
- The proposed Section 183D- (d)(8) allows the commission to collaborate with the board on the use and allocation of the Wildlife Revolving Fund, however the Department has the sole authority to allocate and use the fund pursuant to section 183D-10.5, HRS.

The Department notes that the proposed game commission may overlap with the authorities and purpose of the existing Aquatic Life and Wildlife Advisory Committees, established by section 197-4, HRS.

Additionally, an estimated \$100,000 would be needed to provide administrative support from the Department. Use of existing funding sources would decrease funding available for the hunting program, which provides hunter access, game enhancement and management, and many other direct benefits to public hunting. While an appropriation is included in the bill, the long-term support of this commission may eventually rely upon funding from the Department's existing programs. This includes the Department's recently expanded Access and Acquisitions program that specifically targets increasing access to hunting lands and the acreage of lands available for hunting. In the past decade, more than 17,000 acres of new hunting opportunities have been added to DOFAW's managed lands and an additional 28,000 acres are in the process of being added to serve the approximately 11,500 licensed hunters in Hawaii.

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Feb. 7, 2015

Chairman Ryan L. Yamane
Hawaii Legislature
House Water and Land Committee
State Capitol
415 S. Beretania St., Room 316
Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: HB1041 Relating to Hunting

Aloha Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Ty J.K. Cullen and committee members,

The County of Hawai'i supports the creation of a statewide game management commission that will be administered by the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

In 2012, the residents of the County of Hawai'i amended their charter to create the Game Management Advisory Council (GMAC). The amended charter tasks this group to advise the mayor on issues related to hunting, fishing and public access.

During the time that has followed, the nine-member GMAC has met nearly every month to discuss these issues before the public. These meetings are well attended and some of them have featured spirited debate. In addition, members of GMAC lobbied at the Legislature during the last session on behalf all hunters, and will continue to do so during the 2015-16 session.

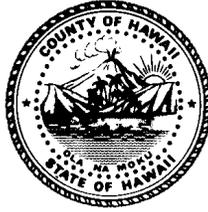
Based on our experience, we feel that a statewide commission will offer to the thousands of hunters who live in Hawai'i a proper venue to share ideas and formulate priorities that are in the best interest of the entire state.

Should you have any questions, please call me at 961-8211.

Mahalo

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The County of Hawaii Game Management Advisory Commission

February 8, 2015

Committee on Water and Land
10:00 AM Conference Room 325
2/09/2015

Dear Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Cullen. Honorable Members of the
Committee on Water and Land,

Regarding House Bill 1041– STRONGLY SUPPORTS

Subsistence hunting occurs throughout Hawaii all year long. On Molokai, for example, a 2012 survey showed that about 40% of food consumed comes from subsistence sources like hunting, fishing, gathering and homegrown produce. <http://hpr2.org/post/neighbors-subsistence-living-molokai> . The University of Hawaii in a 2012 study of Big Island food sources estimates that 400,000 pounds of sheep, pigs and goats are harvested annually.

DLNR disregards the recreational, cultural and subsistence value of hunting to the nutrition, food security, and economic stability of many in Hawaii. In rural areas, subsistence hunting, as well as fishing, are a part of one's normal daily routine. Our game animal resources need to be managed with practical strategies to insure the perpetuity of the resource.

As a return on investment, DLNR is neglecting the recreational hunter. There is a nationwide economic resource potential of 110 billion dollars for just hunting and target shooting¹ . Even small states like Vermont received over \$20 million in economic benefits from out of state hunters, insignificant compared to others and the 20 states with over \$100 million in economic benefits². The 365 day hunting potential that Hawaii offers, is scoffed at.

The County of Hawaii Game Management Advisory Commission (GMAC) recognizes the necessity for a strong comprehensive voice at the decision levels of DLNR therefore we **STRONGLY SUPPORT** the creation and implementation of a Statewide Game Commission.

The Benefits of a Commission to assist in advancing long neglected assignments and management strategies that address the concerns of currently involved stakeholders and the cultural, subsistent and recreational constituent are manifold and long overdue.

Tom Lodge, Chair

¹(Sources: NSSF Target Shooting in America and NSSF & AFWA Hunting in America 2011 reports.).

²(www.iafwa.org)



***To Preserve, Protect &
Promote Sustainable
Public Hunting in Hawaii***

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The benefits of a Game Commission to recreational, cultural, and subsistence activity are almost incalculable. A 2012 Molokai survey (<http://hpr2.org/post/neighbors-subsistence-living-molokai>) indicated that 40% of food consumed comes from subsistence sources like hunting, fishing, gathering and homegrown produce.

The University of Hawaii in 2012 calculated that almost 400,000 pounds of Game Animal resources are consumed annually on the Big Island. A Game Commission can assure that our game animal resources are managed with practical strategies to insure the perpetuity of the resource.

DLNR neglects the recreational hunter. Nationwide \$110 Billion is spent just on hunting and target shooting¹. Hawaii offers a wide array of hunting species and 365 days of hunting opportunity. Neither DLNR nor the Hawaii Tourism Authority are exploiting the potential. A Game Commission can help redirect focus in order that Hawaii reap some share of this rich opportunity².

The Hawaii Hunting Association recognizes the necessity for a strong comprehensive voice at the decision levels of DLNR therefore we STRONGLY SUPPORT the creation and implementation of a Statewide Game Commission.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Max Cooper	Hawaii Rifle Association	Support	Yes

Comments: Hunting, a human heritage as old as our species, has no official voice in our state. The Governor appoints and nominates members to more than 170 other boards and commissions. An effective Hunting Commission is needed.

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Jerry Ilo	Babooze Bowstrings	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Hawaii is the only State in the Union that has no Game Management Plan or Game Management Board/Committee. Let the Resource users have input on the Management of our precious resources. We can no longer continue to operate in the manner in which we have. Mahalo

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brent raymond	hawaii sportsmans alliance	Support	No

Comments: I think it is important to protect hunting here in Hawaii

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
makani	Hawaii Near Shore Fishermen	Support	Yes

Comments: Aloha, Hawaii needs a Game Commission. Currently Hunters and Fishermen are not represented. Our fishermen and hunters have a wealth of knowledge that adds to the legislative process. Hunters have an accurate understanding of the forest, and fishermen an accurate understanding of the ocean. These groups represent sustainability and needs a voice.

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Justin Llanes	guide and outfitter	Support	No

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The Society for Hawaii Heritage Animals

Promote through conservation our own unique breeds of wild livestock here in Hawaii.

Supporting H.B. 1041

Committee on Water & Land
Chair Ryan Yamane, Vice Chair Ty Cullen
Committee Members

Relating to Hunting

Report Title: DLNR; Hunting; Game Commission; Report; Appropriation

Description: Establishes a game commission to serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor and the BLNR. Makes an appropriation

February 9, 2015

Properly managed, game animals contribute to our Islands self-sufficiency, generate income, and provide recreational opportunity for the people of Hawaii.

In 2011 the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service conducted their “National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife Associated Recreation,” and estimated over \$50 million dollars is spent annually by hunters in Hawaii.

As a point of interest, 95% of all conservation money in the U.S. comes from taxes paid by hunters and fisherman.

States that strongly advocate hunting and fishing programs typically have a “fish and game commission” comprised of sportsmen and wildlife experts from their respective community and assist in conservation and resource management.

Hawaii has always looked out for its citizens but when it comes to natural resource management, public involvement and input is lacking. Hunters are the largest user group that utilizes state public lands yet we have the least representation. A State Game Commission would lead to a more equitable system of natural resource management.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources shift from conservation “wise-use” to preservation “no – use, no touch” does not address long term mixed use practices and disconnects us from our land.

With your support, a State Game Commission composed of experienced hunters and wildlife professionals will be instrumental in moving the State to a scientifically based and stakeholder-advised system for management of its game resources.

Mahalo,
Tony Sylvester, Executive Director



Lessons In Firearms Education

P.O. Box 25271
Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

February 7, 2015

Re: HB 1041

Dear Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Cullen,

My name is Bill Richter and I am the President of Lessons in Firearms Education (LIFE). Hunting is an age old tradition and Hawaii needs a means to preserve and protect our hunting heritage. LIFE supports HB 1041 and encourages you to pass this bill.

Thank you.

Bill Richter

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Willie-Joe Camara	National Wild Turkey Federation	Support	No

Comments: The Volcano Island chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation strongly supports HB 1041. A state Game commission will bring public involvement into key decisions which are being made by the DLNR.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
cathrina	PHAO - Pig Hunters Association of Oahu	Support	No

Comments: Hi, I support this bill on behalf of PHAO - Cathrina Secretary following the advice of Tony Sylvester to further enjoy this life style we live, more balanced approach to resource management.

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Orion Enocencio	'Āhiu Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments: Aloha! We at 'Āhiu Hawai'i Support House Bill 1041. The DLNR has done a horrible job managing our animal resources here. DLNR needs to have a Game Advisory Counsel...mahalo!!

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brent raymond	hawaii sportsmans alliance	Support	No

Comments: I think it is important to protect hunting here in Hawaii

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cathy Goeggel	Animal Rights Hawai'i	Oppose	No

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The Friends of Hakalau Forest National Wildlife Refuge OPPOSE HB1041

If enacted , HB1041 would establish a game commission to serve in an advisory capacity to the governor and the board of land and natural resources. The Friends of Hakalau Forest National Wildlife Refuge do not oppose, in concept, the creation of advisory commissions. However, we believe that agencies with responsibility for managing State lands must be responsive to needs and concerns of a wide diversity of interests, not just those interested in the “preservation, protection and promotion of public hunting..” The inclusion of individuals with tourism-related and cultural expertise falls short of the legitimate need to include people with experience and expertise relating to other disciplines, such as habitat management, conservation, research and recreation.

Testimony provided by Robert Shallenberger, VP, Friends of Hakalau Forest National Wildlife Refuge

HB1041 House Water and Land Committee hearing on February 9, 2015



Testimony of the O'ahu Invasive Species Committee
Opposing H.B. 1041 Relating to Hunting
House Committee on Water and Land
Monday, February 9, 2015, 10:00 AM, Room 325

The O'ahu Invasive Species Committee (OISC) opposes H.B. 1041 that would establish a game commission to serve in an advisory capacity to the governor and the BLNR. While we agree that sustainable hunting opportunities for subsistence and recreation are important to the state, DLNR is already working with the hunting community to coordinate resource management. Those wanting to promote hunting may also use the public comment periods during rulemaking processes to express their views.

The language in this bill indicates that all members of the commission should demonstrate a strong interest in promoting public hunting and there is no language that would require the inclusion of those who are concerned about the damage ungulates cause to agriculture or watershed health. We also disagree with the legislation that would give the members of this Game Commission the power to change existing departmental regulations regarding hunting. We recognize that since all game hunted in Hawai'i is non-native and has a deleterious effect on Hawai'i's unique natural resources. We urge the Legislature to ensure that all voices have a place at the table in strategic planning for game management in Hawai'i.

The O'ahu Invasive Species Committee works island-wide to remove incipient invasive species from O'ahu before they become so abundant that they begin to damage ecosystems.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
The O'ahu Invasive Species Committee

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eric honda	Individual	Support	No

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[HB 1041](#) Hunting Commission

Aloha,

I have had the privilege of living all over the America, and have enjoyed the sport of hunting in many of the United States. It has been my unfortunate experience that Hawaii's hunting laws are rather confusing.

A hunting commission would allow for a better exchange of information between the DLR and the outdoor community. There are a great many hunters in Hawaii; they deserve the opportunity to work with the State for the mutual benefit of all.

Mahalo,

Kevin J. Cole

I, Alan Nakagawa, strongly support HB 1041 been a hunter on the Big Island for over 40 years and have witnessed the continued loss of hunting opportunities and areas. Large scale fencing projects throughout the island (especially in the Mauna Kea and Pohakuloa Training Areas) have not only eliminated large populations of animals but also prevents access. Loss of hunting areas with the opening of the new saddle road provided mitigation for loss of plant/wildlife habitat but no value or mitigation was awarded for the loss of hunting areas.

Hunting in Hawaii has continually been reduced and much of this is due to the lack of game management on the part of the State DLNR. The lack of a game management plan that includes updated rules and regulations and plans for habitat improvement and protection is evidence of the Department's lack of commitment and concern toward hunting. The establishment of a game commission will provide the Board of Land and Natural Resources a coordinated resource management effort that will give stakeholders an opportunity to assist in the enhancement and maintenance of public hunting in Hawaii.

Once again I strongly support this bill.

Thank you for your consideration.

Testifier's name:

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Ace Loughmiller	Individual	Support	No

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Alfred Pestrello	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support House Bill 1041 in that I feel our wild game resource is of great value towards sustenance and recreation and conservation, and that it may be better managed by passing this bill.

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Ariane Woodward-Carter	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bowen Dickinson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass this bill for the good of the hunting community and the animals hunted. There is a great resource available in wildlife and meaningful communication amongst all persons involved is the key to proper management and use of that resource. An effective Hunting Commission is needed

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Brandon Lopes	Individual	Support	No

Comments: In support of bill HB1041

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Brandon Soong	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: I am in support of a state game commission because the people of Hawaii needs to know how our game resources are being handle and we need to protect our sustainable resources to feed our families.

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Brenda R. Duarte	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hunting, a human heritage as old as our species, has no official voice in our state. The Governor appoints and nominates members to more than 170 other boards and commissions. An effective Hunting Commission is needed.

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Brian Isaacson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hawaii has a strong hunting tradition. Why is there no Hunting Commission to deal with hunting related issues as there are in other states?

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Brian W. Mabry	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The hunting and fishing community voice needs to be heard at the State level as a commission and not just a voice from the audience or 3 minute testimony for an Environmental Assessment sensing session. No more personal agendas from elected or appointees without oversight.

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Bryan Yoshida	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The sportsmen of Hawaii have been waiting a long time for this. Hopefully, the creation of a council will help to serve as a bridge between the government and Hawaii's outdoor community and to create a future for Hawaii that nurtures our ethic.

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Carl M Jellings Sr	Individual	Support	No

Comments: In Strong Support By supporting this We/You support sustainability here in Hawaii. Carl Pao Jellings Sr,

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Carlimei Castanares	Individual	Support	No

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chantee shiroma	Individual	Support	No

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Charlene Nakagawa	Individual	Support	No

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chris burner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly feel that Hawaii needs a game committee.... Us hunters have no voice in the state of Hawaii the state has done more harm to the forest than any hunter can.

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Clifford harrington	Individual	Support	No

Comments: We need the hunting for the future Generations..

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Please support HB 1041. We need to protect hunting for future generations. We need a game commission because lawmakers are passing laws without proper education, knowledge and information. If one is properly informed, they can make the right decision which affects all of us in Hawaii.

Thank you,
Conrad Dakujaku

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Dakota Muranaka	Individual	Support	No

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daniel oshima	Individual	Support	No

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D'Armand Cook	Individual	Support	No

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Darrell Tanaka	Individual	Support	No

Comments: hunters have a right to help make decisions about their future...its our kuleana at stake.

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Darsen Aoki	Individual	Support	No

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Daryl-jeffrey	Individual	Support	No

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Davenette Souza	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Strongly Support!

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David Norris	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I have been growing concerned at a lack of structure to help serve our hunters and officials conserve and manage the wildlife we have here in hawaii. As a resident and hunter of the big island I strongly support the establishment of a game commission.

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Dean Sensui	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hunting is more than just a sport. It's an important resource that many local families depend upon. Proper resource management is essential to ensure this natural resource is sustainable and available to the hunters of Hawaii. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.
Dean Sensui.

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Derek A Buendia Jr	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HB1041

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Dominic Souza	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The need for a State Game Commission: 1. A 2011 “National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation,” conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, estimated over \$50 million dollars is spent annually by hunters in Hawaii. 2. Sportsmen across the country contribute significant portions of funding to state wildlife programs through the Pittman-Robertson Act of 1937. Currently Hawaii receives the lowest apportionment of these federal matching funds, which is a little over 3 million dollars annually. However, hunting license sales are the primary funding for these federal matching funds. It is imperative that hunting is promoted in Hawaii to continue to aide in funding our wildlife program and those employed by it. 3. States that have taken their hunting and fishing programs seriously typically have a “fish and game commission” comprised of sportsmen and experts from the community to aide in conserving all resources held in the public trust. This level of public involvement is absent from Hawaii and should be put in place. 4. The DLNR has, in past testimony, supported the establishment of a hunting advisory commission to advise on matters affecting hunting. We are still waiting for one. 5. A Game Commission should streamline the process of current administrative rulemaking that govern public hunting in Hawaii. The last administrative rulemaking took about 7 years to complete. This is an unacceptable timetable to competently manage wildlife for public use. Working more closely with the public and respective DLNR wildlife managers, a Game Commission can more efficiently review and advise the BLNR and DLNR on rules and suggestions regarding managing the diverse hunting resources in the state. 6. The latest Tanaka vs. DLNR case prompted the removal of administrative powers of the department to adjust seasons, bag limits, etc. This is unacceptable and could have been avoided had a public process of a Game Commission been in place. 7. Balancing preservation “non-use” of resources vs. conservation “wise-use” of resources has been an uneasy situation between the DLNR and many sections of the community. We feel this is because conservation, “wise-use,” advocates do not have the avenues for discussion that are afforded to preservation advocates within the State. Perhaps a State Game Commission can be a step towards a more fair approach to comprehensive natural resource management. 8. We feel there is a priceless value to being able to harvest and consume truly wild resources. We feel this value is important to protect in the interest of societal health and sustainability for the residents of Hawaii. 9. Increased public involvement on the management of public trust resources is the fabric of which our country's wildlife conservation movement was built upon and will be critical to maintain. We feel a game commission is just one way to maintain this kind of involvement among many other councils and commissions that have already been established. For the above reasons and many more, I Strongly Support this bill!

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Donn Yanagisawa	Individual	Support	No

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Dustin	Individual	Support	No

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Earl Kalawai	Individual	Support	No

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Elizabeth Kellam	Individual	Support	No

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evan obs	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I grew up hunting and gathering from the land. In recent years I feel there has been minimal/ poor management of our wild game resources. I strongly support this bill with hopes a wildlife game commission will better represent the sportsmen and women that value the game animals we have left in Hawaii. I would also like to be able to see my children enjoy and benefit from being able to hunt/ fish as I did growing up here. STRONGLY SUPPORT HB1041

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Giovanni Griffey	Individual	Support	No

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Gizelle Alao	Individual	Support	No

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Harley Souza	Individual	Support	No

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Hunter Muranaka	Individual	Support	No

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Hunter Souza	Individual	Support	No

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James S Kawasaki	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As an avid hunter, fisherman, and more importantly father, I support this bill to help protect the future of these traditions and resources for future generations. It worries me to think of what the future holds for outdoor opportunities for my son and other children, will they be able to have the great experiences we did growing up? As someone who has hunted out of state I have seen what good management and input from outdoorsman have done for wildlife, not just game animals but all wildlife.

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Jaslyn Okamoto	Individual	Support	No

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Jason S Hara	Individual	Support	No

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Why a state game commission is necessary for the State of Hawaii

Many people don't realize it, but hunting in Hawaii is a big tradition dating back to the times of the early Polynesian settlers. Today, not only do many hunters carry on the traditions passed down from our ancestors for subsistence, but we also hunt to enjoy a healthy lifestyle. We see it as a way to expose our children to other activities that not only provide food for our table, but exercise for the human body, teach team work when stalking or harvesting an animal, quality time between mother/father and son/daughter, it also keeps our children away from sitting in front of the television or playing video games all day long, it even keeps them away from the peer pressure of drugs or illegal activities while hanging out at a friends house. For adults it is also an opportunity for camaraderie amongst friends and other hunters. But all of these traditions will never carry on if there are no animals left to hunt. And that is why we NEED a game commission!!!

If we can properly manage these animals (some of which are part of Hawaii's history & initially given as gifts to King Kamehameha), we can have hunting around for many more generations to come. Contrary to what other lawmakers say, these animals are not bad, in fact, they do a lot of good for the environment as well. Have you been to Mauna Kea lately? Without the sheep on the mountain, a lot of areas are completely overgrown and fireweed and other invasive weeds are taking over the mountain. When the dry season rolls around, those weeds that are left uneaten by sheep and goats will stop growing, turn brown & wither. A lightning storm or a careless person passing by on saddle road can toss out a cigarette butt and start a huge brush fire that will devastate the mountain and all of the animals including the protected species.

Managing the game animals can also provide income for the state. Do you see how much the State of Montana charges for hunting licenses and permits? How about the state of Wisconsin? All of the States in the Continental US have some kind of management program that keep the numbers of animals and hunters in check. The funds collected on licenses and permits could help the state financially with not only conservation purposes, but also other areas of the government that need the financial help to benefit the people of Hawaii.

A game commission comprised of experienced hunters and wildlife professionals is necessary to take the State of Hawaii to where we need it to be so that hunting can be well managed and preserved for our children and future grandchildren.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

JoAnne Dakujaku

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Joel dela Cruz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hunting, a human heritage as old as our species, has no official voice in our state. The Governor appoints and nominates members to more than 170 other boards and commissions. An effective Hunting Commission is needed.

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Comments: Hunters need a voice in government. I support this bill and hope that you vote Yes to create a game commission.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
jordan hara	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill as we need a true outdoors mans voice. we do not need people who do not use the natural resources to make the laws. That doesn't make sense. You can not have a pencil pusher who doesn't participate in any hunting, fishing, or diving tel I us how to maintain the resource or tell us where we can and cannot hunt or fish.

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kabel gebeke	Individual	Support	No

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Kaimana Ah Sam	Individual	Support	No

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Kaiola Akiona	Individual	Support	No

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Kalanikoa Souza	Individual	Support	No

Comments: strong support

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kalsey nacis sr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I believe we must have persons or a comitee to help us hunters in Hawaii. It's a way off life and the way I put food on the table to feed my family, friends and neighbors. I cannot afford to survive if I have to buy my meats. I grew up on wild game as did my dad and my grandparents did also. It's my culture and the only way I know how to survive and something my children are just starting to enjoy. If hunting is taken away from me and my family how are we supposed to survive and do without our only activity we enjoy as a family? It breaks my heart to even think our way of life would change after hundreds of years of living a self sustaining life living off the land. I know I'am only one voice out of millions but I know I must stand up for what I believe in, as a native hawaiian I stand proud and strong but humbly ask for your support to giving me and my family and friends the oppertunity to continue our way of life. Thank you for your time to read and listen to my beliefs.....
Aloha, braddahkal

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Kanalu Sproat	Individual	Support	No

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Kathy Aoki	Individual	Support	No

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Kathryn Yanagisawa	Individual	Support	No

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Kawika Souza	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill

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kaylen halemanu	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support

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Kelly Muranaka	Individual	Support	No

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kent grace	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly agree with this bill

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Kerri Marks	Individual	Support	No

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Kerry Nagai	Individual	Support	No

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Kerwyn Tokeshi	Individual	Support	No

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Kimo Sakata	Individual	Support	No

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Kirra Boyce	Individual	Support	No

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koa carter	Individual	Support	No

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Kodie Solis-Kalani	Individual	Support	No

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Kuuleihiwa Ahquin	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill

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Larry Okamoto	Individual	Support	No

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Lorene Okamoto	Individual	Support	No

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Loretta Okamoto	Individual	Support	No

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Lovely	Individual	Support	No

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Makamae Ahquin	Individual	Support	No

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manuel soares iv	Individual	Support	No

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Marisa You	Individual	Support	No

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marisha kapuras	Individual	Support	No

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mark	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support bill hb1041.

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Marvin Dryden	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Marvin Dryden SUPPORTS HB1041. Hunting has no official voice in our state. The Governor appoints and nominates members to more than 170 other boards and commissions. An effective Hunting Commission is needed. I STRONGLY SUPPORT.

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Mary Sakanashi	Individual	Support	No

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Matt Hoeflinger	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hunters need a voice in the state. DLNR has become an eradication agency and no longer supports hunting. Please support. Thank you. Matt Hoeflinger

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Mary Ikagawa	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The State of Hawaii already favors invasive game animals over native species in the law. This commission would just ensure that it gets even harder to control these ubiquitous, forest- and farm-destroying animals.

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melody	Individual	Support	No

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michael keoni smith	Individual	Support	No

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Michael Shimamoto	Individual	Support	No

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Michelle Sylvester	Individual	Support	No

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Moke Angay	Individual	Support	No

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Myra Angay	Individual	Support	No

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Myron Enos	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill. In order to enjoy this lifestyle, a more balanced approach to resource managements is required.

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nsimeon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill! The hunting community needs a voice at the highest level of our political system and needs to be heard. There are a lot of good hunters and supporters that are willing to do the right things but we just need to be heard and given the chance. Thank you.

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Nathan Baniaga	Individual	Support	No

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Nicole Soong	Individual	Support	No

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Nicole	Individual	Support	No

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Noel Aoki	Individual	Support	No

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onipaa alu	Individual	Support	No

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Paul Bueltmann	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I think this is something long over due. With our isolation from the rest of the world. I think that it is very important that we look at everything as a resource even ones that were introduced. Indigenous people have been do this for thousands of years.

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paul	Individual	Support	Yes

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Peter Grace	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill

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Randy L Nakashima	Individual	Support	No

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rhys grace	Individual	Support	No

Comments: i strongly agree/support HB1041

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Richard Frey	Individual	Support	No

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Richard Sakanashi	Individual	Support	No

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Ricky Ferreira Jr	Individual	Support	No

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Riley Manzonie	Individual	Support	No

Comments: game commissions are needed in HI. HI has a valuable resource in wild life and hunting.

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Ronald Nakamura	Individual	Support	No

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Rosetta Souza	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The need for a State Game Commission: 1. A 2011 “National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation,” conducted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, estimated over \$50 million dollars is spent annually by hunters in Hawaii. 2. Sportsmen across the country contribute significant portions of funding to state wildlife programs through the Pittman-Robertson Act of 1937. Currently Hawaii receives the lowest apportionment of these federal matching funds, which is a little over 3 million dollars annually. However, hunting license sales are the primary funding for these federal matching funds. It is imperative that hunting is promoted in Hawaii to continue to aide in funding our wildlife program and those employed by it. 3. States that have taken their hunting and fishing programs seriously typically have a “fish and game commission” comprised of sportsmen and experts from the community to aide in conserving all resources held in the public trust. This level of public involvement is absent from Hawaii and should be put in place. 4. The DLNR has, in past testimony, supported the establishment of a hunting advisory commission to advise on matters affecting hunting. We are still waiting for one. 5. A Game Commission should streamline the process of current administrative rulemaking that govern public hunting in Hawaii. The last administrative rulemaking took about 7 years to complete. This is an unacceptable timetable to competently manage wildlife for public use. Working more closely with the public and respective DLNR wildlife managers, a Game Commission can more efficiently review and advise the BLNR and DLNR on rules and suggestions regarding managing the diverse hunting resources in the state. 6. The latest Tanaka vs. DLNR case prompted the removal of administrative powers of the department to adjust seasons, bag limits, etc. This is unacceptable and could have been avoided had a public process of a Game Commission been in place. 7. Balancing preservation “non-use” of resources vs. conservation “wise-use” of resources has been an uneasy situation between the DLNR and many sections of the community. We feel this is because conservation, “wise-use,” advocates do not have the avenues for discussion that are afforded to preservation advocates within the State. Perhaps a State Game Commission can be a step towards a more fair approach to comprehensive natural resource management. 8. We feel there is a priceless value to being able to harvest and consume truly wild resources. We feel this value is important to protect in the interest of societal health and sustainability for the residents of Hawaii. 9. Increased public involvement on the management of public trust resources is the fabric of which our country's wildlife conservation movement was built upon and will be critical to maintain. We feel a game commission is just one way to maintain this kind of involvement among many other councils and commissions that have already been established. For the above reasons and many more, I Strongly Support this bill!

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russell kai	Individual	Support	No

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TESTIMONY of RUSSELL TAKATA regarding HB 1041,RELATING TO HUNTING.

CHAIRMAN YAMANE AND MEMBERS ON THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & AIR,

I SUPPORT this measure. This will enhance the management of our public hunting areas for subsistence and recreation. The establishment of a game commission will provide stakeholders an opportunity to be part of an organizational process advising the Governor and the Board of Land and Natural Resources regarding the management, protection, and promotion of public hunting in our State.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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ryan carvalho	Individual	Support	No

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sage santiago	Individual	Support	No

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Saige Okamoto	Individual	Support	No

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Samuel Kekoa Halsted	Individual	Support	No

Comments: For all of my life I have lived on the big island. Hunting has been apart of my memories since I can remember. While my father did not hunt many of his friends and my uncles did. Please support this bill as it will help to ensure the preservation of a way of life for so many big islanders. It should be noted that the big island is unique in that there is so much public hunting land which needs to be protected and managed. While this is not necessarily the case with other islands With a game commission we can ensure that these lands their varied natural resources and values will be preserved for many generations. Many island residents depend on the wild game from our forest. Please help up protect and preserve it.

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Sandra	Individual	Support	No

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serice santiago	Individual	Support	No

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Shanna Sato	Individual	Support	No

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Sheldon	Individual	Support	No

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Shyla Moon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support for the hunting game to have a voted commission board. It would open up discussions with the real communities.

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Sierra Lau	Individual	Support	No

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Stephen T Hazam	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support HB 1041. This is a common sense measure that supports Hawaiian values and public safety. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony..

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steven a kumasaka	Individual	Support	No

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Tammy Harp	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in FULL SUPPORT for HB1041 Relating to Hunting. We definitely need a GAME COMMISSION! We have so much commissions and we do seriously need one for the HUNTERS. Mahalo for your time and consideration.

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Tasha Okamoto	Individual	Support	No

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taylor sumida	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My family and I support this bill

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Tim Shindo	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Strongly Support.

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Titus Lafradez	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: I support. To further enjoy this lifestyle, a more balanced approach to resource management is required. This means more balance in policy making and implementation.

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Tod Tanimoto	Individual	Support	No

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Tom Galli	Individual	Support	No

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Tom Lodge	Individual	Support	Yes

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Tom Young	Individual	Support	No

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Tomi	Individual	Support	No

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Tad Araki	Individual	Support	No

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Tresa	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly agree/support HB1041

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Troy Shimoda	Individual	Support	No

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tyrus okinishi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: If this bill is passed... I believe the hunting community will not dwindle. The outdoorsman of Hawaii have a lot of Aloha for the land and sea they wonder, therefore we would gladly take part in a tag process knowing the money we spend will be there for conservation efforts. Mahalo!

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Warren Soong	Individual	Support	No

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Wayne Yanagisawa	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Wendell Grace	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly agree with HB1041

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Woody Child	Individual	Support	No

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Randall Rowe Jr	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I vote yes on this subject thank you

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alston thomas	Individual	Oppose	No

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bryce	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am against bill hb1041.

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jonah kuaana	Individual	Oppose	No

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Ty JK Cullen, Vice Chair and Committee Members

From: Patrick Conant, Volcano, Hawaii

Subject: Testimony on HB 1041 to be heard on 2/9/15 Conf. Rm. 325 10AM

I am opposed to HB1041 since it will add yet another layer of bureaucracy to State Government. The State of Hawaii Division of Forestry and Wildlife can do its job without more input.

I have no problem with providing hunting areas for bird hunters where foot and vehicle traffic do not damage native plant communities (e.g. weed seed introduction and fire).

However, with respect to game mammals, if this Commission is in fact established, lines 6 to 8 of the bill as written do not explain that hunting areas are in fact most degraded by the alien game mammals that hunting areas are set up to harbor. Native forests, shrublands and watersheds cannot be treated like poorly managed cattle paddocks where animals are allowed to over-browse and ruin them until they cannot even support those animals, then find new intact native plant communities to designate as hunting areas. Hunting areas should not include native Hawaiian plant habitats or they do become degraded. That degradation process is ongoing right now on all the islands. Hunting area boundaries should be drawn up with input from hunters, Federal ecologists, mammologists and conservationists that are qualified to make such decisions. Are the latter three groups to be represented on this Commission? If not, why not?

Obviously hunters know where there are game animals and where there are not. However, the areas where the animals are is often where there is still good quality native forest/shrubland that serves as watershed for much of the entire State. It has been well documented that wild game mammals are extremely destructive to such areas. Hunting areas should only exist on alien plant dominated lands, that have been evaluated by qualified Foresters and Ecologists as suitable for alien game mammals. Lines 19 and 20 refer to this process, but there is not mention of such experts having adequate input. Lines 14 and 15 mention referring to scientific data but there is no explanation of how that will be done nor how important it will be in decision making. It is in fact very important, and needs to guide the designation of hunting areas if we are to protect our dwindling native forests and watersheds.

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Aaron Spencer	Individual	Support	No

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Bruce R. Faulkner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill. I was formally on the State Hawaii Hunting Advisory Council. I have been an avid hunter for almost 50 years. I moved from urban Oahu to rural Maui over 48 years ago to pursue the outdoor opportunities, specifically hunting! It is said that in politics "if you are not at the table then you are on the menu". Unfortunately the hunting community in Hawaii has been on the menu for far too long. We need a statewide voice in the direction that our state land use programs are being directed. We are simply asking for a seat at the table which is the concept behind this bill. We humbly ask for your support.

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Testimony Submitted to the
House Committee on Water and Land

Hearing: Monday, February 9, 2015 10 am, Room 325

In Opposition to HB 1041 Relating to Hunting

Aloha, Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members of the Committee. The Conservation Council for Hawai'i opposes HB 1041, which establishes a game commission to serve in an advisory capacity to the governor and the BLNR, and makes an appropriation.

HB 1041 is not needed. Hunters may already advise the BLNR on hunting matters, and they do. The appropriation in this bill could be used to enhance existing appropriate hunting areas, facilitate hunting access to land-locked hunting areas, and support hunter access to remote areas with helicopters to help control animals and retrieve the meat.

While game mammals are valued by hunters for food and recreation, in many areas, these animals are destructive to native habitats and watersheds. The most important thing we can all do to support hunters and support native species and watershed protection is to enhance appropriate hunting areas and fence feral and game mammals in, while removing these animals from sensitive areas and fencing them out. Until the State gets serious about these program solutions, there will always be conflicts and destruction. Hunters will always feel like they are losing hunting areas, even when they have more than enough land and animals to hunt. The number of acres of hunting area far exceeds the number of acres of actively managed and protected watersheds and native species habitats. Furthermore, there is no shortage of feral pigs, goats, sheep, mouflon, and deer in Hawai'i; there are too many of them.

Here are some photos of watersheds from which feral and game mammals have been removed.



Conservation Council for Hawai'i is a nonprofit, environmental membership organization dedicated to protecting native Hawaiian plants, animals, and ecosystems for future generations.

Established in 1950 and based in Honolulu, CCH is one of the largest and most effective wildlife organizations in Hawai'i with more than 5,000 members and supporters, including concerned citizens, educators, scientists, government agencies, and elected officials.

Through research, education, service, organizing, and legal advocacy, CCH works to stop the destruction of native wildlife and wild places in Hawai'i.

Since 1973, CCH has served as the Hawai'i state affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation.

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What we lack in this state is an effective hunting program that supports hunting in appropriate hunting areas and minimizes the damage in sensitive areas, such as native habitats, watersheds, recreation areas, farms, ranches, nurseries, gardens, and other private property.

Please kokua. Do not waste time and money on a one-sided commission that will not address the inherent conflicts between introduced continental barnyard animals gone wild and wildlife (deer), and native Hawaiian species and habitats, including essential watersheds.

Oppose HB 1041, and let us all work together on enhancing appropriate hunting areas, building fences, and protecting sensitive native habitats, watersheds, and recreation areas.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marjorie Ziegler".

Marjorie Ziegler

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Bruce R. Faulkner	Individual	Support	No

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Dwayne Lim	Individual	Support	No

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Eric Kaneshiro	Individual	Support	No

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Lizbeth Guadiz-Franco	Individual	Support	No

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Marlene Orr	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please vote yes to establish a hunting commission.

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Michael Orr	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please vote yes to establish this most needed commission. We need people who are knowledgeable community members to make good decisions on these matters which support our rich hunting traditions in Hawaii.

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Matthew Ross	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Please pass HB1041. The people best suited to manage the resource are those who use and depend on it.

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nani pogline	Individual	Support	No

Comments: A State Game Management Commission is a great need. There is so little support for wild game, hunters, and recreational and cultural uses related to these natural resources. If Federal funds decline, it would be wise to have this egg in the basket. Collect ively, hunting and out back sport can and does bring considerable revenue and resource to the people of Hawaii. Of even greater importance, having a local food resource is only prudence, in the event of a disaster cutting off food supply.

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Daniel Reid	National Rifle Association	Support	No

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1041, RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF A GAME COMMISSION

Hawaii is blessed with over 20 species of game animals. Pigs accompanied the first voyagers to the islands. With western contact, sheep and goats were presented to Hawaiian kings. Later, deer, game birds and Mouflon sheep were established for sport hunting. Collectively these animals constitute an economic state resource. Properly managed, they contribute to island self-sufficiency, generate income, and provide recreational opportunity for Hawaii's people.

Wildlife management in mainland states follows the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation and Public Trust Doctrine, a system that keeps wildlife as a public and sustainable resource, scientifically managed by professionals. Agencies entrusted with wildlife management communicate with stakeholders via institutionalized processes, and receive advice, direction, and support from established Boards and Commissions.

Historically, Hawaii has controlled animal populations if they become problematical, rather than managing them as a sustainable resource. There is no established and systematic process through which Hawaii's hunting community, a major stakeholder, can effectively participate with the state's wildlife agency to address concerns and provide advice on issues that directly affect them.

As an example, The Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act of 1937, which provides a major source of revenue to the state's wildlife programs (\$2.2 Million in FY 13), specifies public participation. No established process exists, however, by which hunters can provide input into the allocation and distribution of those funds.

Hunting is big business. In 2011, 13.7 million hunters spent \$33.7 billion pursuing wild game. States that actively promote hunting reap financial rewards. With its large game population properly managed, Hawaii could effectively promote hunting tourism and increase its share of those economic benefits.

Hawaii currently has over 170 Boards and Commissions, including those on Acupuncture, Boxing, Elevator Mechanics, and Fatherhood. But there is no commission to represent the state's 23,000 hunters. A Hawaii Game Management Commission composed of experienced hunters and wildlife professionals would be instrumental in moving the state to a scientifically-based and stakeholder-advised system for management of a valuable state resource.

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