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The Honorable Mike Gabbard, Chair
and Members
Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture
State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 224
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Dear Chair Gabbard and Members:

Subject: House Bill 2041, HD1 Relating to Water Audits

We support the intent of House Bill 2041, HD1, which establishes a standardized water loss audit program to reduce water loss and conserve potable water resources. We believe the leadership role of the State Commission on Water Resource Management is essential to ensure large public water systems comply in a consistent state-wide approach utilizing the American Water Works Association M-36 manual, which guides water utilities across the nation.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony on House Bill 2041, HD1.

Very truly yours,

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| Rafael Bergstrom | Surfrider Foundation Oahu Chapter | Support | No |

Comments: The Surfrider Foundation's O'ahu Chapter strongly supports HB2041 and its intent to create a statewide water audit program. The loss of fresh-water resources in our State is of escalating concern and we cannot afford to have losses coming from places that have tangible solutions. Identifying these areas, whether they be in the realm of failing infrastructure, archaic allocations in the agriculture field, or even residential use is a crucial first step in protecting our most important public-trust resource - fresh-water supplies. Our organization does appreciate the intrinsic difficulty in managing water systems for a continually growing population and deeply appreciates that our State provides working services to our residents and guests. Maintaining and upgrading such systems is of paramount importance to our way of life and we believe should be of the utmost priority. Mahalo for your consideration of this important step. Cheers - Rafael Bergstrom, Surfrider O'ahu

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| Kaily Wakefield | Individual | Support | No |

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