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Before the House Committee on
OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES, & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, February 11, 2015
8:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 873
RELATING TO AQUATIC LIFE

House Bill 873 proposes to prohibit the sale of aquatic life for aquarium purposes. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources ("Department") opposes this measure.**

The Department has required commercial aquarium collectors to report monthly fishing effort information under Section 189-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) for over forty years. The Department has also collected extensive underwater visual survey data on the status of reef fishes along the Kona coast of Western Hawaii island for over fifteen years. A report of these surveys has been submitted to the 2015 Legislature in compliance with Section 188F-5, HRS. These data indicate that the aquarium fishery is currently operating at a level that does not indicate significant population declines and major shifts in species diversity in areas where collecting is occurring.

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February 10, 2015

TESTIMONY OF KIPUKAI KUALIʻI
COUNCILMEMBER, KAUAʻI COUNTY COUNCIL
ON
HB 873, RELATING TO AQUATIC LIFE
House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs
Wednesday, February 11, 2015
8:30 a.m.
Conference Room 325

Dear Chair Ing and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony in strong support of HB 873, Relating to Aquatic Life. My testimony is submitted in my capacity as the Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Committee Chair and as an individual Councilmember on the Kauaʻi County Council.

As you are all aware, it is a known fact that Hawaiʻi's reefs are one of the largest sources of wildlife for aquarium hobbyist. Our reefs are also severely over-harvested for coral and other marine life. This loss of wildlife poses a significant threat to our main economic stimulus, tourism. Our reef ecosystems also provide sustenance for many of our families in Hawaiʻi. Current regulations have so far proven ineffective in protecting our coral reefs and surrounding habitats from aquarium hobbyist. As a Native Hawaiian and as the Economic Development & Intergovernmental Relations Committee Chair, I strongly support any effort to protect our coral reefs, as it not only provides the sustenance for our families, but also serves as a socioeconomic benefit for our tourism industry.

For the reasons stated above, I strongly encourage the House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs to support this measure. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Council Services Staff at (808) 241-4188.

Sincerely,

KIPUKAI KUALIʻI
Councilmember, Kauaʻi County Council

Conservation Council for Hawai'i
Hawai'i's voice for wildlife
Kō Hawai'i leo no nā holoholona lōhiu

Testimony Submitted to the
House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, and Hawaiian Affairs

Hearing: Wednesday, February 11, 2015 8:30 am, Room 325

In Support of HB 873 Relating to Aquatic Life

Aloha, Chair Ing, Vice Chair Lowen, and Members of the Committee. The Conservation Council for Hawai'i supports HB 873, which prohibits the sale of aquatic life for aquarium purposes.

There are many threats to our oceans, including invasive species, global warming, acidification, sedimentation, and pollution. We support a ban on selling wildlife for aquariums. This is wasteful and negatively affects our reefs and other marine ecosystems. We prefer enjoying our marine life alive and in the ocean, and so do many other residents and visitors alike.

Here are some photos that illustrate our reasons for opposing the commercial aquarium trade.

Please kokua. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Ziegler

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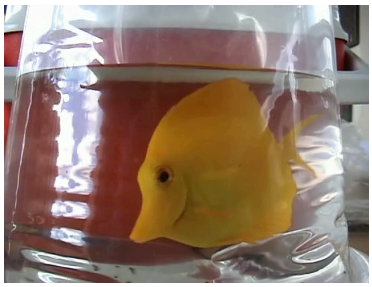

Conservation Council for Hawai'i is a nonprofit, environmental membership organization dedicated to protecting native Hawaiian plants, animals, and ecosystems for future generations.

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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Hanalei Watershed Hui

February 8, 2015

Testimony: HB 873
Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources and Hawaiian Affairs
DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2015
TIME: 8:30 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 325

Aloha Chair Ing, Vice Chair Lowen and members,

The Hanalei Watershed Hui **strongly supports** the prohibition of selling any marine resources for use in aquariums. We believe strongly that healthy reefs support healthy communities and that any animals or plants needed for hobby use can and should be raised in captivity and not removed from our reefs.

There has never been a comprehensive study supporting the contention that removing these resources has no impact on our marine and coastal ecology and until one is completed, no sales should be allowed.

Me ka pono,

Makaala Kaaumoana
Executive Director

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Committee on Ocean Marine Resources and Hawaiian Affairs
Rep. Kaniela Ing, Chair
Rep. Nicole E. Lowen, Vice-Chair

Hearing Wednesday Feb. 11, 2015, 8:30 am
Conference Room 325
Hawai'i State Capitol

re: HB873
position: SUPPORT

One by one, the treasures that make Hawai'i paradise are being collected and sold, ruined by development and pollution. The fish and corals that are taken in huge numbers and are sent to live in glass boxes around the world, make a profit for the reef rapers, and Hawai'i is left with less beauty and a far less healthy ocean environment.

The fish do not live for long in the unnatural tanks and many do not even survive the capture and transport. This is a wasteful industry that cares nothing for the environment that it plunders and has even resorted to intimidation and physical threats to people who wish to preserve Hawaiian waters for future generations.

Please pass HB872

Cathy Goeggel
President

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THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES

HUMANE SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

To: Honorable Chair Ing, Vice-Chair Lowen and Committee Members
Ocean, Marine Resources and Hawaiian Affairs Committee
2-11-15 830am

From: Inga Gibson, Hawaii State Director, The Humane Society of the United States / Humane Society International, P.O.Box 89131, Honolulu, HI 96830, igibson@humanesociety.org or 922-9910.

In SUPPORT: HB873; Relating to Aquatic Life

The Humane Society of the United States and The HSUS/HSI's international arm, Humane Society International (HSI), support HB873 prohibiting the sale of Hawaii's aquatic life taken for aquarium purposes. We deeply thank the Committee for addressing this important matter that affects the lives of more than 700,000 animals per year.

The global trade in live wild animals as pets—including live fish for display in home aquaria—involves billions of animals every year. The trade threatens the survival of wild populations and causes unacceptable treatment of the animals. This thriving industry feeds on consumer demand for rare and beautiful animals. Whether small carnivores, exotic birds such as parrots, reptiles and amphibians, or fish, few species are safe from this exploitive trade.

The global trade in marine fish involves between 20 and 24 million individual animals, 99 percent of whom are wild-caught (Wabnitz et al. 2003).

High levels of mortality of marine fish in the aquaria trade, associated with inadequate handling and transport, have been widely recognized as a problem (Wabnitz et al 2003). One study demonstrated mortality rates of fish from Sri Lanka to the United Kingdom of 15 percent during and immediately after collection, 10 percent during transit, and 5 percent in holding facilities (Wood 1985). This means that 30 percent of the fish collected died before reaching the market. Once in a home aquarium, mortality rates continue to climb due to inadequate husbandry and stress suffered on the journey from the coral reef to the home aquarium. The industry treats fish like cut flowers to be displayed until they die (often of starvation), then discarded and replaced.

Industry practices, implemented to save time and money, contribute to the stressors and injuries that lead to the pre-mature deaths of this wildlife and put undue pressure on wild populations: for every animal that dies before reaching the market, more are taken to fill the demand.

In addition we are opposed to cruel practices employed by fish collectors and exporters in Hawaii such as piercing the swim bladder, starving for extended periods prior to export and fin/spine trimming: practices recently prohibited in Maui County and each with existing, less harmful, and conventional alternatives that don't cause injury or lead to higher mortality rates.

In addition, the husbandry needs of many of the fish species collected from Hawaii reefs simply cannot be met in captivity. Collection and export of animals that have virtually no chance of survival in captivity should cease.

Collection of animals from the wild for the pet trade is harmful to wild populations. There are many examples of wild populations of animals that have been decimated by over-collection to supply the exotic pet trade. Slow lorises of Southeast Asia (*Nycticebus* spp.), the hyacinth macaw of South America (*Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus*) of Central and South America, and the radiated tortoise of Madagascar (*Geochelone radiata)* are some non-fish species that have been harmed by trade. Among marine fish species whose survival is threatened by collection for the aquaria trade are the Banggai cardinalfish of Indonesia (*Pterapogon kaudermi*), the scribbled angelfish of Australia and Papua New Guinea (*Chaetodontoplus duboulayi*), and the mandarinfish of The Phillipines (*Synchiropus splendidus*). In Hawaii, researchers have raised concerns about the collection of uncommon or rare species for the trade including Tinker's butterflyfish (*Chaetodon tinkeri*), the Hawaiian turkeyfish (*Pterois sphex*) and the flame angelfish (*Centropyge loricula*). The U.S. Coral Reef Task Force has recognized that U.S. demand for aquarium species can indeed threaten the sustainability of coral reef species and ecosystems (U.S. Coral Reef Task Force 2000).

There are many problems with the current management of collection of fish for export from Hawaii. The number of fish exported from Hawaii annually is actually unknown. Despite implementation of the Civil Resources Violation System dealing with late/delinquent report filings, there are no mechanisms for verifying actual vs. reported catch. The absence of catch validation means that DLNR has no accurate data for effective management.

Fish in the pet trade suffer from unacceptably high death rates. The more than 700,000 animals collected alive from Hawaii's reefs every year for the pet trade deserve better treatment than what they are currently receiving. When the basic needs of captive animals are being met, their long-term survival is ensured. This is not so for fragile reef wildlife, with the vast majority of these animals experiencing temporary, not long-term, survival. Though many would survive for decades if left on the reef, the lives of most in captivity are measured in weeks or months. Contributing to these shortened lives, are the inexperienced hobbyists purchasing them, most of whom stay in the hobby, on average, only a year before giving it up.

This raises the question of suitability for a life in captivity and brings us back to a premise stated earlier in this testimony: collection and export of animals that have virtually no chance of survival in captivity should cease.

HSUS/HSI thanks the Committee for taking up this important issue. ***We urge the Committee to pass HB873***, to restore wildlife abundance and health to Hawaii's reefs.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.

Reef Rescue Alliance
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House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs; Hearing on 2.11.2015; 8:30 am

Testimony on HB873 Relating to Aquatic Life -- IN SUPPORT

Aloha Honorable Chair Ing, Vice-Chair Lowen, and Committee Members,

My name is Rene Umberger and as the founder of For the Fishes and co-founder of the Reef Rescue Alliance, I am testifying in support of HB873. Thank you for hearing this bill ending aquarium trade sale of our dwindling native reef wildlife. There is broad consensus that it's in Hawaii's best interest to no longer ship off our fishes and creatures for a mainland hobby, because they're needed here to restore and protect our reefs for current and future generations.

The environmental and other costs are substantial and evident in both anecdotal and scientific reports (examples attached), while the economic benefits are few. With DLNR's limited resources, ending the trade is the fiscally responsible thing to do. By banning sales of reef wildlife for aquarium purposes, HB873 would free up resources while also triggering Federal enforcement help via the Lacey Act which makes it unlawful to sell wildlife taken or sold in violation of any state law.

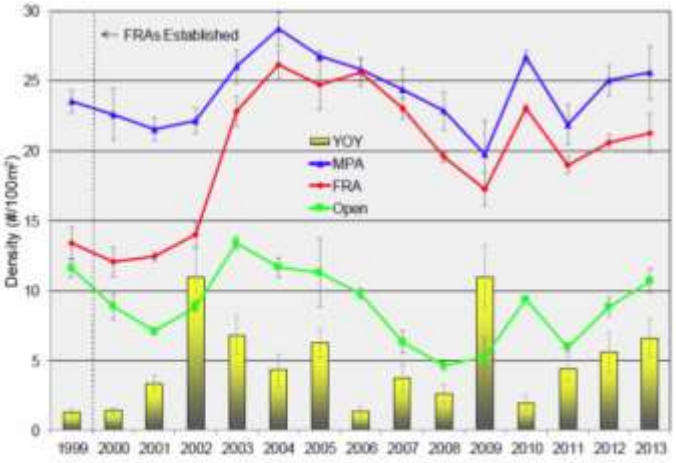
A legislative solution is needed because the environmental, cultural and ethical concerns voiced by the broader communities have not been addressed in the rules recently adopted and proposed by DLNR. The October resignation of the department's aquatics administrator, and his reasons for opposing aquarium rules forwarded to board, confirm the need for a legislative solution.

The call to end the aquarium trade has repeatedly surfaced since 1973 when the first moratorium was shelved for "more studies". More recently, in 2010/11, a statewide ban was requested by Hawaii and Kauai County Council resolutions and by Maui Mayor Alan Arakawa—all disagreeing with DLNR's assessment that the AQ trade is "sustainable". Maui County passed two laws to restrict and regulate aquarium trade operations, and Hawaii County Council is currently considering the same. In each case, county officials and lawmakers have repeated the mantra: these measures are a start, but not enough when a ban is what's needed.

I thank you again and urge your support of this important bill that puts Hawaii's needs first.

Mahalo,
Rene Umberger
Reef Rescue Alliance
For the Fishes

State data reveals millions of Yellow Tangs and Kole missing from West Hawaii reefs open to the aquarium trade.[1]

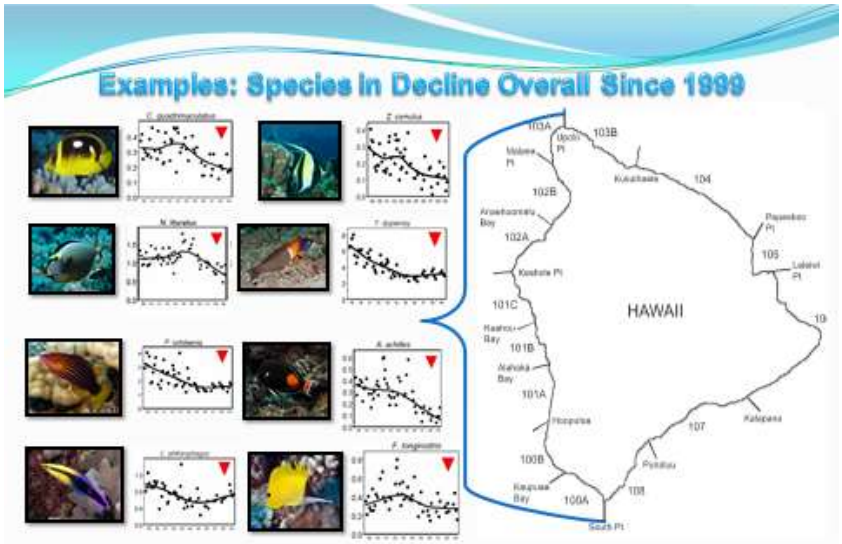


AQ interests focus attention on areas protected from AQ collection. Then they state that fish are plentiful.

AQ trade opponents focus on areas of AQ activity: 2/3rds of West Hawaii reefs are open to collection and show significant depletion. Science and anecdotal evidence align: millions of fish are missing from West Hawaii reefs.

Figure 6. Overall changes in Yellow Tang abundance (Mean ± SE) in FRAs, MPAs and Open areas, 1999-2013. Yellow vertical bars indicate mean density (May -Nov) of Yellow Tang Young-of-Year (YOY). YOY are not included in trend line data

Additional impacts: at least 10 of the top 20 most targeted species have not responded to increase in protected areas and have actually decreased in West Hawai'i since 1999.[2]



Examples of aquarium-targeted species that have not responded to the closed areas and have actually declined since 1999. All are among the Top 20 most targeted species.

Hawaii Div. of Aquatic Resources (Dec. 2010 Report to NOAA) 10

The aquarium trade reports taking 1.8X the number of reef fishes taken by recreational, subsistence and other commercial fishers *combined*.[3]

Yellow Tangs and Kole are herbivores, a critically important fish family that is depleted by about half on 99% of West Hawaii reefs.[4]

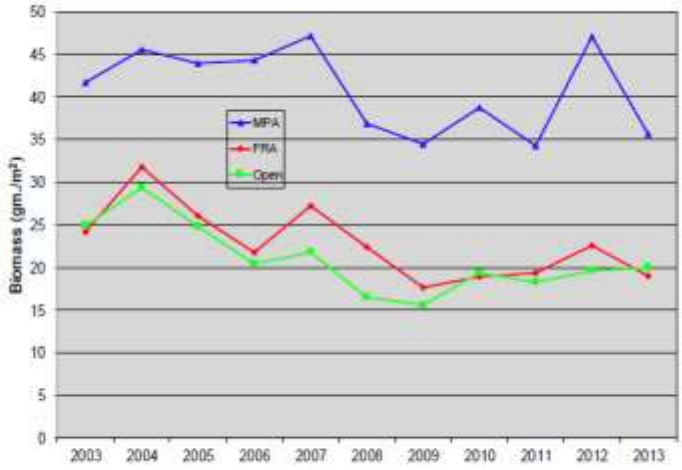


Figure 28. Overall change in herbivore biomass in FRA, MPA and open areas 2003-2013. Note WHAP fish sizing commenced in 2003

Over half of the state's reefs are now dominated by algae, including numerous study sites in West Hawaii, which also show decreases in coral cover and the coral building block, coralline algae.[5]

Over-harvesting by the Oahu aquarium trade caused the collapse of yellow tangs on SW Oahu reefs 30 years ago. Those populations have not rebounded. Today's yellow tang abundance is at least 70% lower than it was decades ago.[6]

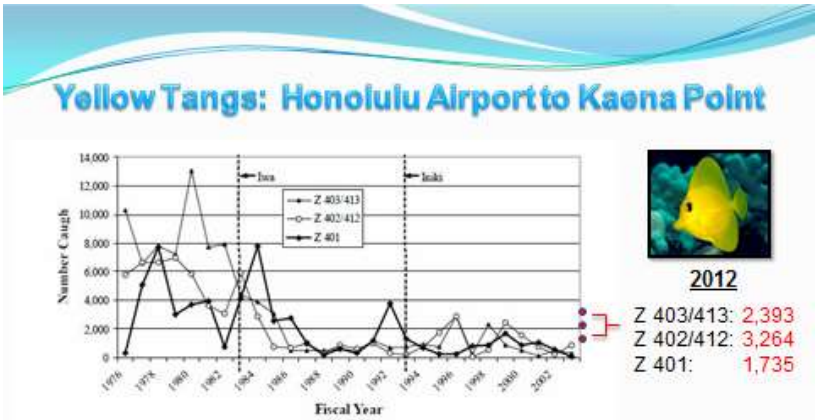


Figure 12. Number of yellow tangs caught in southwest O'ahu reporting zones.

DAR's former administrator, Frazer McGilvray, resigned over the pseudo-science informing management of the aquarium trade on Oahu.[7]

- "The majority of yellow tang taken by the trade are immature and have not contributed to the future of the species. The take of juveniles is generally prohibited."
- "The proposal to allow take of 100 immature yellow tang per person per day, is driven by the demands of the trade and is contrary to good natural resource management. There appears to be no scientific basis for the proposed bag limits for each species."
- "The proposed rule is akin to setting a speed limit at 400 MPH."
- Community concerns were completely ignored.
- The BLNR approved the rule package, despite his expert testimony in opposition.
- **NOTE: West Hawaii has NO LIMIT on the take of immature yellow tang in the 2" – 4.5" range**

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[1] Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawai'i, 2014. *Report on the Findings and Recommendations of Effectiveness of the West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area*

[2] Division of Aquatic Resources, Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawai'i, 2010. *Long-Term Monitoring of Coral Reefs of the Main Hawaiian Islands*. Final Report, 2009 NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program, State of Hawai'i Monitoring Report, 10/1/2006 – 09/30/2010

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[5] Kittenger, J. 2014, quoted in http://westhawaiitoday.com/news/local-news/study-reveals-good-bad-news-about-algae-coral-communities re: Jouffray et al. 2014. *Identifying multiple coral reef regimes and their drivers across the Hawaiian archipelago*

[6] Walsh, W. 2004. *The Commercial Marine Aquarium Fishery in Hawai'i 1976-2003* in Status of Hawai'i's coastal fisheries in the new millennium, revised. 2004. A.M. Friedlander (ed.) Proceeding of the 2001 fisheries symposium sponsored by the American Fisheries Society, Hawai'i Chapter, Honolulu, Hawai'i

[7] F. McGilvray in testimony submitted to the BLNR thirty minutes after no longer being a state employee on Oct. 24, 2014.

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To; Hawaii House Oceans Committee
Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs Committee of the Hawaii Legislature

10th February 2015

Dear Sir or Madam

Testimony in <u>opposition</u> to Bill HB873 relating to the Hawaiian Ornamental Aquarium Industry

OATA represents the interests of importers, wholesalers and retailers of aquatic ornamental organisms, including fish, in the UK. Some of the marine ornamental fish imported in the UK originate from Hawaii. Our members agree to abide by a Code of Conduct which includes the need to protect and enhance the welfare of fish in their care. OATA has participated in meetings of CITES, the CBD, WTO, the OIE and IATA on issues relevant to the sector. We strongly support the legal, sustainable and humane use of renewable natural populations of aquatic organisms including fish.

Such a ban seems unjustified and wholly disproportionate when taking into account the DLNR report "Report on the Findings and Recommendations of Effectiveness of the West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area published in December 2014. This reports the success of management strategies eg white listing, for aquarium fish collection in increasing fish populations, the impact of other collections and the commercial value of the fishery.

I believe this Bill must be opposed.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Executive

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Association of Zoos and Aquariums

COMMITTEE: **Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs**

DATE & TIME: **February 11, 2015, 8:30am**

MEASURE: **HB 873**

Dear Honorable Members of the Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs Committee:

On behalf of the 228 accredited member institutions of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), we would like to take this opportunity to express our serious concerns regarding HB 873, which would criminalize the sale of aquatic life for aquarium use. We respectfully submit that if this bill were to pass, it would greatly impact the ability of AZA-accredited aquariums and zoos to educate and inspire millions of visitors with compelling exhibits that showcase the natural beauty of marine life and habitats, including coral reefs and coral reef fishes.

AZA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of accredited zoos and aquariums in the areas of animal care and husbandry, conservation, education, science and recreation. With over 185 million visitors to 228 accredited zoos and aquariums, AZA's focus on connecting people and animals provides a critical link to helping animals in their native habitats.
AZA zoos and aquariums are committed to conserving the world's oceans for future generations of Americans and people around the globe. We do this by educating our audiences about issues related to ocean health, and encourage them to join us in reducing threats to fragile ocean ecosystems and wildlife. This is very important as a recent National Research Council study found that people learn as much as 90% of their science in informal settings such as accredited zoos and aquariums. We strongly believe that our message of respect, wonder and appreciation of the natural world contributes significantly to coral reef conservation and management.

AZA-accredited zoos and aquariums fully understand, recognize, respect, and support Hawai`i's desire to maintain its unique and diverse coral reef habitat. We also acknowledge Hawai`i's marine aquarium fishery to be one of the best-studied and best-managed fisheries. The fishery is a model for similar aquarium fisheries management programs around the world. We applaud the numerous efforts underway by state, federal and private organizations to accurately determine the health of this fragile ecosystem. Sustainably managed fisheries have a long term positive impact by helping to ensure that generations of children visiting our member institutions and viewing the species acquired from these fisheries will be inspired to a lifetime of proactive stewardship of all our collective marine resources.

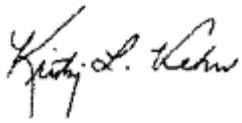
The AZA supports science-based approaches to protecting coral reefs in Hawai`i. However, we do not believe that the provisions of HB 873 are based in fact. While the bill states that aquarium species are three to ten times more abundant in protected areas, the percentages actually range from 4% to 77%. Additionally, while the bill states that regulations are failing to maintain fish populations at the necessary levels, intensive monitoring in West Hawai`i has revealed increasing populations of some species such as yellow tangs, for example. Fifteen years after the creation of Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs), the population of yellow tang have increased 64.5% in these FRAs and has not significantly declined in areas where collecting still occurs. Overall, the present population of yellow tang in West Hawai`i, the most heavily targeted species, is estimated to be 3.6 million fish.

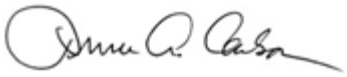
Thirty years ago, opponents of fish collecting warned that Hawai`i's fish species were going extinct from overcollecting. Today, with excellent management from the State of Hawai`i, none of Hawaii's fish species is close to endangered or threatened status. The opponents' arguments have now shifted to claiming that Hawai`i coral reefs have been degraded by collecting activities. However, we believe that current management practices are working as intended. Coastal fisheries can be managed by monitoring fishermen and establishing protected areas where no fishing is allowed. In the tropics, many reef fishes spawn thousands of eggs every day throughout the year, and the eggs and larvae are widely distributed, including to areas where fish collecting is permitted. This is the management system that allows extraction to continue on a sustainable basis.

The AZA community views itself as partners with the State of Hawai'i and its counties. We have the well-documented ability to speak to hundreds of millions of visitors annually about marine conservation needs. AZA accredited institutions agree that a common-sense regulatory approach that governs the humane take, the husbandry and transport of coral reef species in a fully sustainable manner, is a positive step in enhancing the coral reef fishery populations throughout the State. It is also important that legislation affecting this industry follow the best practices established over decades of proven techniques and research.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on these important decisions.

Respectfully,





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Comments: My apologies for a dual submission; I noticed that y comments were not submitted as being in opposition of this bill; I am resubmitting to clarify that I do oppose this bill. I have attached a PDF version of an online article by fisheries journalist Ret Talbot, which examines this bill in great detail and pays close consideration to the science and data involved in this bill. I encourage all committee members to read it carefully. In short, I believe that the ongoing onslaught of anit- aquarium trade bills in Hawaii is excessive and is becoming a waste of the legislature's time and resources. These ideas have already been addressed in prior legislatures and rejected for one main reason - the science, and the state's own data, does not support the allegations levied at fishery for aquarium fishes. Aquarium fishers themselves have worked within the state to even provide compromise and self regulate in ways that I believe they never needed to; the effect of the compromises made only served to reiterate the lesson that parents learn about their children - given an inch, they'll take a mile. Since the science and data already fully illustrate that a ban is not needed, the only thing left to discuss is the emotions surrounding this topic. However, I should mention that we do not legislate based on emotions. If the people proposing these bans were candid and honest, we could debate their issue for what it is, one of personal morality. Anti-trade activists turn a blind eye to the harvest of a species like the Achilles Tang for food, but cry foul if the same fish were to be harvested for the aquarium trade. Anti-trade activists use charged rhetoric like "wildlife trafficking" or "slavery" to evoke emotional responses from anyone who will listen, but their moral arguments seem a bit ethically bankrupt. From a moral standpoint, when I place myself in the position of the "fish", certain death to thrown on ice and sold for $4.99/lb, is not preferable to the potential of an extended life in a predator free environment. When har vested as food, death is certain. While all fishes must die (the definition of mortality), when a fish harvested for the aquarium, death is not automatic. Frankly though, none of us can truly claim to speak for the fishes. But what I can speak for is the numbers and communal ethics. When the rhetoric of anti-aquarium activists is viewed in an objective light, it seems wrong to advocate for, or ignore, a use of a resource for sustenance or inexpensive sale, eg. the documented sale of Achilles Tangs for $4.99 per pound, when those same fish have a retail value in the US live-aquarium-fish-trade of $200 to $300 each. That increased value does translate all the way back into the local economy of Hawaii; putting a tang on a plate for dinner does not. The science doesn't support the allegations being made against the aquarium trade. Those behind these allegations wish

to draw a moral distinction between one use of a state managed resource, turning a blind eye a low value, guaranteed 100% instant mortality use, while condemning a high value use with potential for long-term survival and all the other benefits of a sustainably managed aquarium trade. I can only consider the stance of anti-aquarium activists, and those behind the multiple bills seeking to ban the sustainable aquarium fishery in Hawaii, as hypocritical and deceitful in their efforts to push their personal moral agenda upon the rest of us. I implore this committee to reject this bill wholeheartedly, and move on to more important matters.

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Hawaiian legislature to consider 7 bills to change aquarium fishery—including 3 seeking an outright ban on marine livestock collection

By Ret Talbot

For decades now, the harvest of Hawaiian reef fishes for the global aquarium trade has fueled a heated, emotional debate, with aquarium fishers and those who work in the trade on one side and anti-aquarium fishery activists on the other.

Despite an effective, multi-stakeholder approach to fisheries management in Hawaii—despite data that consistently show sustainability—these activists unfailingly succeed in having bills introduced to the Hawaii State Legislature each year that would close the aquarium fishery. This year is no

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Hawaii: A Source of Premium Fishes

The loss of the marine aquarium fishery in Hawaii would be a blow to the aquarium trade and hobby in the U.S. and abroad. The aquarium fishes harvested in Hawaii reach the mainland by one of the shortest supply chains available to North American aquarists. As a result, Hawaiian fishes are consistently healthy with extremely low mortalities. Because Hawaiian fishes are harvested in a well-managed fishery with copious data supporting fishery sustainability, they represent one of the best choices for environmentally aware aquarium keepers.

While health and sustainability are paramount for some aquarists, others note that losing Hawaii would mean that several Hawaiian endemic species would likely disappear from the hobby. Examples include several dwarf angelfishes, a number of butterflyfishes, and an array of popular wrasse species.

Not everyone agrees the aquarium fishery in Hawaii is well managed and sustainable. In fact, some of its most influential critics argue it's not even a fishery at all. Individuals like Maui-based Robert Wintner (aka "Snorkel Bob") believe the aquarium trade is unethical and that no reef fishes should be harvested for aquaria. He contends that aquarium fishermen are responsible for "devastating" changes on beautiful Hawaiian reef areas.

Other anti-aquarium activist like Rene Umberger, also from Maui, are open to the idea of an aquarium hobby based solely on aquacultured fishes. Either way, both Umberger and Wintner, and the activist groups they represent, have demonstrated a dogged commitment to closing the State's most valuable inshore fishery through legislation.

Science Sides with AQ Fishery

The repeated attacks on the aquarium (or so-called "AQ") fishery fly in the face of the data and are no doubt frustrating to fishers and aquarium fishery advocates. It's important to remember, however, that the system has time and again proven it works. Each year anti-aquarium fishery bills come up, and each year they fail to become law. In many cases they fail to even be heard or make it out of committee. In large part this is because individuals take the time to make sure the science and the data are seen and heard.

Local stakeholders and scientists annually go to the Legislature and present oral comment. Others take the time to submit electronic testimony. Groups like the Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council (PIJAC) in Washington bring their resources to bear on proposed legislation that threatens to limit or close the fishery. Because of all these efforts, the data usually prevail, but that will only remain the case if individuals are informed.

So how do this year's seven aquarium-fishery related bills stack up against the data? Have Hawaii's reefs been devastated by the aquarium fishery as some critics contend? Are fish populations being wiped out by over-collection? Are animals harvested for the aquarium trade subjected to cruel treatment? Or, as others argue—does Hawaii stand as an example of one of the best-studied, best-managed aquarium fisheries anywhere in the world?

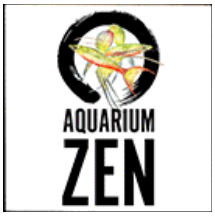
To answer these questions, we turn to the fisheries managers on the ground and, of course, to the data.

The Ban Bills

This year there are three bills that would end aquarium fishing in Hawaii outright. They are **Senate Bill 322** (SB 322) and **House Bills 606** (HB 606) and **873** (HB 873), and they may collectively be called the "ban bills."

Of the three ban bills that could put an end to the aquarium trade in Hawaii, **HB 873** is perhaps the must illustrative, and it's the one on which this article will focus. While the other ban bills generally lack context, simply criminalizing or calling for the prohibition of the sale of aquatic life for aquarium purposes, HB 873 outlines the rationale behind the Bill in a six-paragraph preamble. This preamble lays out a series of largely familiar arguments supported by mostly unsourced data, and, in the absence of additional information, it serves as justification for all of the ban bills. [PDF: **Download the original House Bill 873**]

Overall, HB 837 claims the aquarium fishery "threatens Hawaii's reef environments and the socioeconomic benefits they provide." It alleges the aquarium industry "has operated for over fifty



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years with no limits on the volume of take and no limits on the number of permits." As a result, the Bill claims that "[s]pecies targeted by the industry are three to ten times more abundant in areas protected from aquarium-collecting than in areas where the industry operates." It further claims that the aquarium fishery has devastated stocks of iconic yellow tang (*Zebrasoma flavescens*), claiming their population is "depleted in many areas, decreasing by seventy to ninety per cent [sic]."

How accurate is this dismal picture of the aquarium fishery? While there are shreds of truth in HB 873's preamble, to fisheries managers and other stakeholders who have worked for over a decade to create a well-managed, sustainable fishery supported by data, the Bill is a slap in the face. State legislators who mandated the multi-stakeholder approach with Act 306 back in 1998 are likely equally offended.

State marine biologist Dr. Bill Walsh is a long-time proponent of science-based aquarium fishery rules. Image: Ret Talbot.

Surprise Allegation: "Over-harvesting of Coral"

So how does the State's aquarium fishery stack up to the allegations? Dr. William Walsh, an aquatic biologist with the Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources' (DLNR) Division of Aquatic Resources (DAR), says there are literally "millions more fish on the reefs," and he says he has the data to prove it. A five-year report on the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area (WHRFMA), the State's largest aquarium fishery, finds that management has been increasingly successful. Specifically, Walsh points to the creation of Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs) and Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), which he says have played a significant role in population increases.

While much of the debate is focused on whether or not the harvest of herbivorous fishes such as the Yellow Tang is sustainable, the preamble to HB 873 begins with a surprising statement:

"The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii."

For fisheries managers like Walsh, as well as for anyone with even the most basic awareness of the fishery, this opening statement, while perhaps effectively appealing to the emotions of the uninformed, clearly represents the misinformation and misrepresentation of the science so frequently employed by anti-trade activists in Hawaii.

With the recent listing of 20 species of coral under the **Endangered** Species Act and the ongoing, well-publicized dialog in the media about the plight of coral reefs, it's perhaps not surprising that an anti-aquarium fishery bill would lead off with allegations of "over-harvesting of coral" for aquaria.

The trouble is, however, coral is not harvested for the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

False "Facts" Underpinning HB 873

While a representative speaking on behalf of the Coral Reef Task Force was unavailable for comment, Emma Anders of DAR and who sits on the Coral Reef Task Force, points out that the

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harvest of coral and live rock is prohibited in the Hawaii administrative rules. "I would be very surprised that the Task Force would report severe over-harvesting of coral in Hawaii and have not heard anything like that in the two years I have sat on that task force," she says.

Dr. Walsh says there is no evidence of illegal coral harvesting in Hawaii. "To the best of our knowledge there is no harvesting of coral by the [aquarium] industry in Hawaii, as all stony corals, pink, gold and black corals and live rock are protected—no taking and no sale of same." "They've been protected for quite a long time."

In light of this, some observers suggest that the fact that the authors of HB 873 chose to lead with such an egregious falsehood perhaps calls other of their claims into question.

Mix of Fact and Fiction

When it comes to the other allegations in HB 873's preamble, there is a mix of fact and fiction that ultimately draws a conclusion—the aquarium fishery must be closed. This position, however, is inconsistent with the State's own historical data.

A point-by-point analysis of the Bill and the data suggest that while the threats to Hawaii's reefs are real and need more attention in the form of effective management, the aquarium trade should not be the sole (or even the primary) focus of those acting on behalf of the State's reefs.

For starters, the Bill states, "Hawaii's reefs are the world's third-largest source of wildlife for aquarium hobbyists." This may sound problematic given the size of Hawaii compared to the size of Indonesia and the Philippines, the two largest source countries for the U.S. aquarium trade. Looking at the actual data, however, tells a different, less dramatic story.

While Hawaii is important to the U.S. trade in marine aquarium animals, the data show it is nowhere near the scale of Indonesia or the Philippines. In 2005, nearly 5.8 million fishes were imported into the U.S. from the Philippines and almost 3.3 million from Indonesia. That same year, 510,112 aquarium fishes were caught and sold Hawaii, making it the third largest aquarium fishery, but representing well below 5% of the total world catch. (Source: DLNR and independently verified via **Rhyne et. al.**)

"Threat to Tourism"

HB 873 continues, claiming the catch of half a million or so fishes that are harvested in the Hawaii aquarium fishery each year "threatens Hawaii's reef environments and the socioeconomic benefits they provide, including to tourism—a crucial contributor to the State's economy, and as sustenance for local families." While it's true that any extractive industry poses a threat to the resource, fisheries managers in Hawaii point out that aquarium fishing is far from the only fishery activity.

"Other types of fishing, both commercial and non-commercial target reef fishes," says Dr. Walsh, referring to the State's food and sport fisheries. "Almost everywhere in Hawaii the catch in terms of reef fish numbers, and especially biomass, substantially exceeds the take by aquarium collectors." [See Table 1]

Reef Fish Catch Numbers					
	Recreational	Commercial	Total Non AQ	Aquarium	Non AQ/AQ
West Hawai'i	146,176	48,498	**194,674**	**343,729**	**0.6X**
West Hawai'i w/o YT	146,176	48,498	**194,674**	**64,815**	**3X**
Maui	218,474	71,730	**290,204**	**13,316**	**22X**
'Oahu	675,520	196,417	**871,936**	**81,514**	**11X**
Kaua'i	218,423	93,223	**311,645**	**546**	**571X**
Reef Fish Catch Biomass (lbs.)					
West Hawai'i	153,193	55,468	**208,661**	**75,274**	**2.8X**
West Hawai'i w/o YT	153,193	55,468	**208,661**	**25,248**	**8.6X**
Maui	342,769	122,268	**465,037**	**3,217**	**145X**
'Oahu	496,132	242,812	**738,945**	**36,119**	**20X**
Kaua'i	215,685	63,794	**279,479**	**626**	**446X**

Table 1. Island comparison of the number and pounds of reef fishes caught by recreational and commercial fishers relative to aquarium collectors 2008-2011. The far right column represents Total Non AQ catch of reef fish relative to the catch taken by aquarium collectors. Credit: Walsh (2014)

In West Hawaii, where the vast majority of aquarium fishing takes place, the total aquarium reef fish catch does exceed total non-aquarium reef fish catch in terms of numbers, but the reef fish catch biomass for the aquarium fishery is well below half of the total non-aquarium reef fish catch.

In fact, the total aquarium fish catch biomass in West Hawaii is less than half that of the recreational fishery, which is almost entirely unregulated (Hawaii does not require saltwater anglers to purchase a fishing license). On other islands, the non-aquarium catch in terms of numbers of reef fishes harvested is as much as 571 times the aquarium catch.

While it's critical to effectively manage each fishery (including the aquarium fishery), to claim, as HB 873 does, that the "loss of wildlife" as a result of the aquarium fishery "threatens Hawaii's reef environments and the socioeconomic benefits they provide" is a red herring that ignores the more significant problem.

Effective Regulation?

HB 873 claims "[t]he aquarium industry has operated for over fifty years with no limits on the volume of take and no limits on the number of permits." In reality, DLNR points out that all existing size and bag limits for reef fishes apply equally to all fishers including aquarium fishers. "This has been the case for many years," says Dr. Walsh. "In recent years aquarium take has also been markedly restricted in West Hawaii to just 40 fish species." He also adds that size and/or bag limits now also exist for the three most heavily collected species.

In terms of the number of permits, it is true that there is currently no limit on the number of aquarium fishery permits issued. This is, however, the case for all fishing related permits, licenses and registrations at present in Hawaii. Nonetheless, fisheries managers, as well as some stakeholders, believe limiting the number of permits is probably a good idea.

"The West Hawaii Fishery Council, A DLNR community advisory group," Dr. Walsh says, "has been working on establishing a limited entry program for aquarium collecting in West Hawaii." To date, both legislative and administrative rulemaking efforts to establish a limited entry fishery have failed.

Abundance

When it comes to the Bill's claims regarding abundance, fisheries managers say there is no published data of which they are aware that supports the numbers cited in the Bill. HB 873 says species "targeted by the industry are three to ten times more abundant in areas protected from aquarium-collecting than in areas where the industry operates."

The best data on the State's aquarium fishery exists in West Hawaii, which accounts for nearly 70% of the State's overall aquarium catch (67% of value). Those data regarding the 40 species legally harvested in the West Hawaii fishery show the following:

• Six species are consistently more abundant in areas protected from aquarium collecting (FRAs and MPAs) than in areas open to collecting.

• Seventeen species are more abundant in open areas than in the protected areas.

• For 11 species there is no consistent pattern over the past 15 years.

• The percentage difference between areas closed to aquarium fishing and open areas ranges from 4% (multiband butterflyfish, *Chaetodon multicinctus*) to 77% (bird wrasse, *Gomphosus varius*).

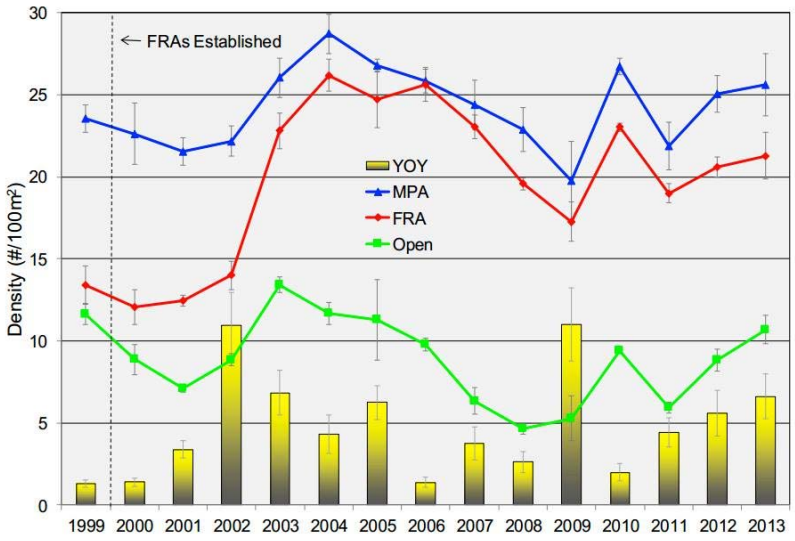
"These differences," says Dr. Walsh, "are nowhere of the same magnitude [claimed in HB 873]."

The Iconic Yellow Tang

HB 873 also alleges that "[r]egulations have thus far failed to maintain populations of crucial species at levels necessary to protect Hawaii's coral reefs." The argument here is that the most popular aquarium species are herbivorous species like Yellow Tang, and these species have experienced the greatest declines in population. "As the most heavily targeted species," HB 873 claims, "the population of yellow tang has now been depleted in many areas, decreasing by seventy to ninety per cent [sic]."

The data show that, over the past 15 years, the population of Yellow Tang has increased 64.5% in FRAs, which are closed to the aquarium fishery. Over that same time, the data also show the

abundance of Yellow Tang in open areas has not significantly declined. "Based on intensive monitoring in West Hawaii," says Dr. Walsh, "we know that the no-aquarium collecting Fish Replenishment Areas, implemented in 1999, have been very successful in increasing populations of yellow tang."



"Overall changes in yellow tang abundance (Mean ± SE) in FRAs, MPAs and Open areas, 1999-2013. Yellow vertical bars indicate mean density (May -Nov) of Yellow Tang Young-of-Year (YOY). YOY are not included in trend line data". Source: Walsh (2014)

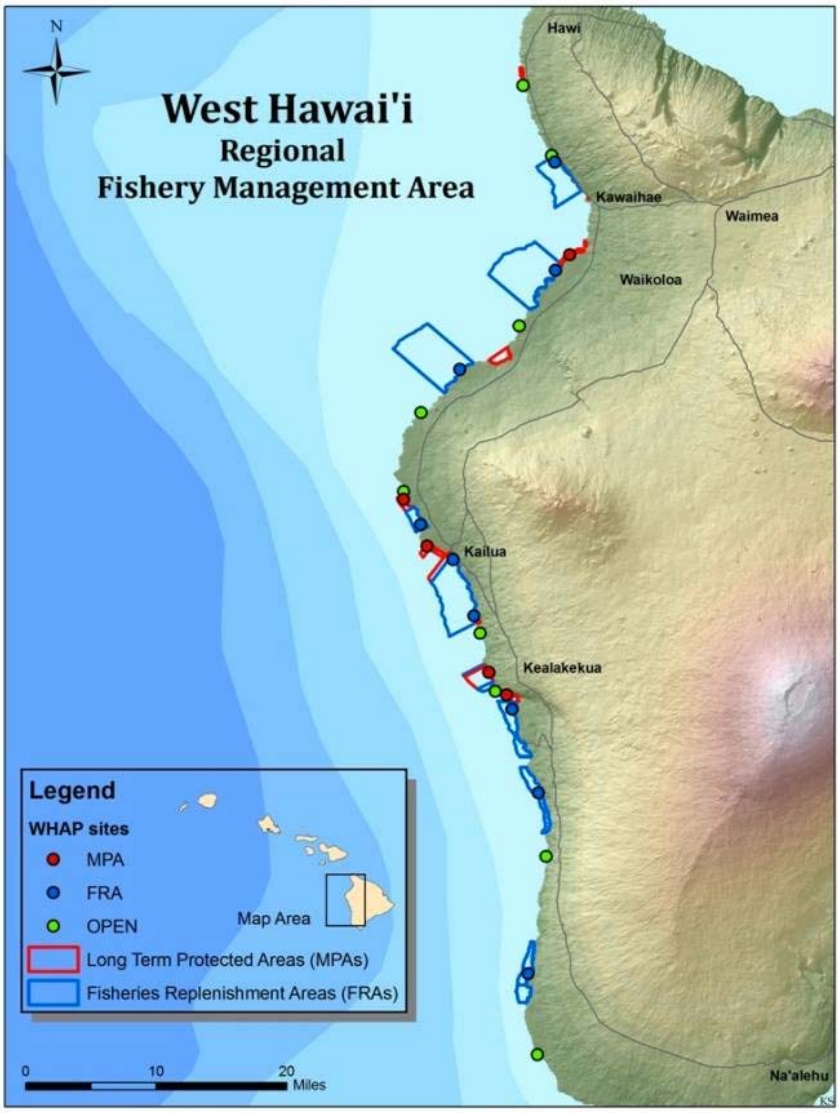
Overall, Yellow Tang abundance in the 30'-60' depth range over the entire West Hawaii coast has increased by over 1.3 million fish (up 58%) from 1999 to 2013. The current population across all areas is estimated to be 3.6 million fish. According to fisheries managers, there are also no significant differences in the abundance of adult Yellow Tang in open versus closed areas in shallow water.

The Importance of Herbivores

Continuing with the focus on herbivorous fishes, the Bill claims a "decline in herbivorous fish are a known stressor to coral reefs" and "research shows that two-thirds of Hawaii reefs are now dominated by the type of algae upon which herbivorous fish would typically feed." The data, however, again tell a different story. In West Hawaii, for example, macroalgae cover in 2011 at 25 monitored sites ranged from 0% to 6.3%. Twenty-two of the 25 sites surveyed had less than 1% macroalgae cover, and this is in the same region where the majority of aquarium fishes are collected.

While there is a lot of misinformation when it comes to the specifics, HB 873 makes some really good points about the importance of herbivorous fishes in general. For example, the Bill points out that "[a]bundant and diverse communities of herbivorous fish are vital for coral reefs to recover from events like the recent unprecedented **coral bleaching** that occurred throughout the State. Without herbivorous fish, the long-term stability of these fragile ecosystems is in jeopardy."

Fisheries managers and scientists say they couldn't agree more. In fact, they think a lot more needs to be done in this regard. The unilateral focus on the aquarium fishery, however, is, according to those same fisheries managers and scientists, misguided. "A key element is sustaining robust herbivore populations," says Dr. Walsh, "is to have a sufficient number of Marine Protected Areas, which protect such species from all harvesting."



West Hawaii is the State's largest aquarium fishery and includes a network Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs) off limits to aquarium fishing. The dots represent West Hawaii Aquarium Project survey sites. Credit: Walsh (2014)

The data show herbivore fish biomass is significantly higher (almost two times as much) in the West Hawaii MPAs than in the FRAs or the Open areas. In both the FRAs and open areas, largely unlimited non-aquarium fishing of herbivores such as parrotfishes and surgeonfishes is common. "Similar findings," Dr. Walsh adds, "are also becoming apparent in Maui's Kahekili Herbivore Fisheries Management Area." There is currently no aquarium fishing there. Bottom line? To address the need for more herbivorous fishes on Hawaii's reef, one needs to look beyond the aquarium fishery.

AQ Fishery's Economic Value

Based on the state's own numbers, the environmental effects of the aquarium fishery on Hawaii's reefs are, at best, overstated in the preamble to HB 873. What about what the Bill has to say regarding the fishery's economic value?

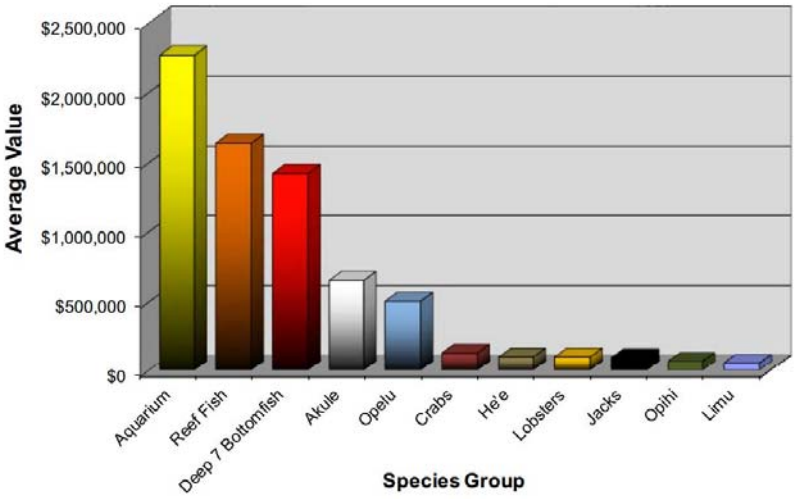
"Fewer than one hundred of the more than two hundred individuals with commercial aquarium fish permits are actually engaged in such activity and file reports with the department of land and natural resources," states the Bill. "Most of these nearly one hundred aquarium collectors work part-time, collecting wildlife three days per week."

The data show that in West Hawaii in FY2014 there were 51 commercial aquarium permit holders, and 41 of these reported aquarium catch that year. "Based on reported catch," says Dr. Walsh, "approximately half of all permit holders appeared to work full time as aquarium collectors." According to the data, there were also nine aquarium dealers on other islands who dealt with West

Hawaii caught fishes.

HB 873 further downplays the economic value of the aquarium fishery, saying that the "part-time jobs appear to be the only identifiable economic benefit" of the trade. "Reported annual sales of less than $2,300,000 generate less than $100,000 in general excise taxes," HB 873 states, claiming that is "far less than the amount of funding required for permit administration and adequate enforcement by the division of conservation and resource enforcement of the department of land and natural resources."

DLNR points out that, relatively speaking, all inshore commercial fisheries in the State of Hawaii are small scale. "The aquarium fishery is presently the economically most valuable commercial fishery exceeding other valued fisheries such as those for reef fish, bottomfish, *akule, opelu* and *opihi*," says Dr. Walsh.



"Economic value for various inshore fisheries of the main Hawaiian Islands. Value ($ adjusted for inflation) averaged over FY 2012-2014" Source: Walsh (2014)

Reported aquarium sales figures cited in the Bill also only represent what is paid to the fishers and does not include value added by dealer and retail sales. Regarding the "funding required for permit administration and adequate enforcement by the division of conservation and resource enforcement," it should be noted that fisheries management, permitting, and enforcement isn't something that's limited to the aquarium fishery. Aquarium fishers use the same fishing license as every other commercial fisher, and management and enforcement are equally applicable to a variety of fisheries statewide. The idea that the aquarium fishery should provide enough funds to cover resource management statewide seems odd.

Data: "Aquarium Fishery Can Be Fished Sustainably"

The preamble to HB 873 concludes with the following statement: "Wildlife left on reefs benefits the reefs. Restoring herbivorous fish populations is essential for the protection of Hawaii's coral reefs and the current and future socioeconomic well-being of Hawaii's people, which is tied to this unique marine environment."

No one—not scientists, not fisheries managers, not fishers and not aquarists—is disagreeing, but is closing the aquarium fishery the solution?

Not only is the aquarium fishery not the environmental Bogeyman the Bill claims it is, but fishery advocates contend it is actually because of the aquarium fishery that so many good data and management measures exist at all. "The West Hawaii experience with the aquarium fishery points out the need for extensive monitoring, proactive management and especially the importance of having a network of protected areas," says Dr. Walsh.

Overall, and based on the data, DLNR draws a very different conclusion than HB 873. DLNR maintains the data suggest management in the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area is proving effective and that, overall, the State's aquarium fishery can indeed be fished sustainably.

"Over a decade and a half of intensive monitoring data from the West Hawaii coast suggests that overall, regulations implemented under the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area are

successfully managing the aquarium fishery sustainability along that coastline," says Deborah Ward, a DLNR spokesperson.

"DAR uses monitoring data to adapt regulations in response to changes in resource condition. At the end of 2013, DAR established a '**White List**' that allows aquarium harvest of only 40 species within the WHRFMA. The data suggests that the State's aquarium fishery can be fished sustainably provided we continue robust monitoring and adaptive management."

Other Bills & Next Steps

In addition to the ban bills epitomized by HB 873, there are three other aquarium fishery-related bills before the Legislature this year in Hawaii. They are **HB 511**, **HB 883**, **SB 670** and SB 1340.

Of these four bills, one (HB 511) would give aquarium fishers and others fishing in the marine environment more explicit protection against individuals who may intentionally or unintentionally harass them. The other three bills are all bills that would affect how aquarium fishes (and other animals in the case of SB 670) are treated during collection, holding and shipping. All three generally lack scientific support for some or all of the proposed practices, and individuals ranging from fishers to scientists to experts with the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) believe some the proposed practices would likely be detrimental to the animals in question. *CORAL Magazine* will cover these bills in a future article.

Thursday (January 29, 2015) was the cutoff date for bills to be introduced to the 2015 Hawaii State Legislature. All but one of the seven aquarium fishery-related bills have been referred to committee (SB 1340, the last bill to be introduced, had not been referred to committee at the time this article was written), and the opportunity for public comment has begun. For information regarding how and when to comment, please have a look at **the recently published article**, and stay tuned for updates here at *CORAL Magazine*.

In the final equation, mainland aquarists and those around the world may want to keep in mind that what happens in Hawaii may not necessarily stay in Hawaii.

While the Hawaii aquarium fishery still has plenty of room for improvement, it remains one of the best-studied and best-managed aquarium fisheries in the world. The data consistently show sustainability, and the multi-stakeholder process that has helped shape fisheries management in West Hawaii is a model that should be applauded and studied for its utility elsewhere.

If the Hawaii aquarium fishery were to be shut down by legislative efforts unsubstantiated by the best available science, aquarists should worry about the health of the trade and hobby globally. In the bigger picture, all stakeholders in Hawaii's reefs should be concerned when an emotionally-driven political agenda of a few hijacks a far larger and more important discussion about fishery sustainability and the overall health of coral reefs in the face of an honest analysis of the threats.

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Timothy Birthisel
January 31, 2015

I would suggest consideration of establishing commercial marine sanctuaries in Hawaii that will increase fish habitat and populations dramatically while providing aquacultured live rock for the trade. Such is our practice in the Florida Keys for 20 years now.
reply

Matt Pedersen
February 01, 2015

Timothy, would you care to elaborate further on your concept of a "commercial marine sanctuary"? I should note, live rock and coral are not currently harvested from Hawaiian waters at all (it's prohibited) – are you suggesting the state provide "safe refuge" for propagation and extractive fishing in designated "commercial zones"? If so, I'm not really sure if that's all that far off from how things are already managed…eg. areas that aren't part of MPAs and other reserves are effectively the designated places where commercial activities can take place. I'm guessing there's more to your thought than what you posted…hoping you will come back and elaborate further!
reply

Kaleo
February 02, 2015

Thank you for your suggestion Timothy. I suggest that you read the article before commenting.
The islands already have multiple (and large) Marine Protected Areas (MPA) that are federally protected around every island. There are also additional Fish Replenishment Areas (FRA) implemented by the state specifically for the aquarium fish species.
It's important to remember that Hawaii has THE MOST managed and regulated aquarium fishery in the world. That includes Florida…
reply

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Opposed to HB 873

OMH on Wednesday, 02-11-15 8:30AM in House conference room 325.

Ban aquarium fishing? Why? It says Corals are taken by aquarium fishermen. It must be a typo or a mistake? No corals are taken. State law already ban taking of corals no one does this. Just like the rest of this information in this bill it must be a mistake. Not a single statement here is true. User conflict drives such inaccuracies.

There are more fish than ever. Hawaii's oceans are healthier than ever. Aquarium fishing has no impact on tourism. Aquarium Fishing generates millions for Hawaii's economy. Aquarium Fishing is proven to be sustainable with many studies. Hundreds of laws restrict aquarium fishing already and the state has spent millions studying and proving the fisheries sustainability. See A. at end for facts sources.

Algae growth is directly liked to run off and aquarium fishing has nothing to do with it. Maui and Molokai run off problems have been corrected and the reefs have gotten much better. There is not aquarium fishing on Maui or Molokai and when there was it was not in the effected shallow near shore areas. See B. at end for sources.

There is not 200 commercial aquarium permits in Hawaii there is only 90 or so. Of those 90 only around half scuba dive the rest buy fish and resale them from all over the pacific. See C. at end for sources.

Sale for divers price in Kona are 2.3 million but that is divers price. Resale doubles that and imports and exports increase those numbers substantially. I have personally done over 1.2 million gross sales with my one company alone. Many in Hawaii benefit and we greatly need business other than tourism to support Hawaii's economy.

US Ocean law state the ocean belong to all and to eliminate one user group over another violates federal law standards. The state of Hawaii and DLNR (department of Land and Natural Resources) is in charge of preserving , protecting, and managing state waters within the three mile limit for all public user groups.

Please hold HB 873 it could cost the state millions in revenue and is based in no facts to support such a move.

The facts from the news and WHFC members. Links to videos and sources below.

Please hold HB 483

Ron Tubbs B.S.N.D.

RT Distributors Inc.

Hawaii Tropical Aquarium Fish Association

A. Fish Population Increases links:

http://westhawaiifisherycou.ipower.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/WHRFMA-Report-to-Legislature-Jan-2015.pdf

http://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/26454840/videos-show-tropical-fish-swarming-states-reefs

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http://westhawaiitoday.com/news/setting-record-straight-fish-collecting

http://hawaiitropicalsaltwateraquariumfish.com/

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http://www.coralreef.gov/meeting28/pdf/cbargerwestmaui.pdf

http://www.hcri.ssri.hawaii.edu/files/media/mc-lpub-2001-10-27.pdf

http://www.mauinews.com/page/content.detail/id/569887/Plan-aims-to-keep-runoff-from-reefs--in-West-Maui.html

http://mauitvnews.com/blog/2015/01/27/maui-county-processing-100000000-wastewater/

http://www.hawaii.edu/news/2014/10/07/invasive-algae-pollution-cause-lethal-tumors-on-sea-turtles/

C.

There are 94 divers in all of Hawaii who collect tropical fish. There are 34 divers in Kona, 51 on Oahu and 9 in Maui. Of the 94 many are shippers and do not dive much.

I support HB873 for a total ban on commercial sale of Hawaii reef wildlife for aquarium use. The aquarium trade had got away with murder for years. In 2008 Richard Xie of Hawaiian Sea Life told a group of key Hawaii leaders in Senator Roz Baker's conference room that he alone ships out a million yellow tangs per year. He also reported 15 high-volume wholesalers the state knows about and another 10 the state doesn't know about—tax free. Then comes poaching. Former DAR Administrator Dan Polhemus told the same group: "We estimate the total catch at 2 to 5 times the reported catch." Richard Xie estimated gross revenue at that time of $20 million.

I represent Snorkel Bob's, where are most frequently asked question is: Where are the fish? NOTE: Kona DAR ballyhoos "more fish than ever before!" That's in the 1/3 of the Kona Coast protected from aquarium plunder. The other 2/3 are decimated, down by 50-80% on any given year, including last year. Teardrop butterflies, blueline butterflies, saddle wrasses, cowfish and many other species are GONE!

A customer in our Kona store—a documentary film producer—was so put out last year, she's producing "The Dark Hobby," about what happened to Hawaii reefs. It will get TV and theatrical distribution.

Aquarium hunters also deny trashing habitat. The Kona Coast, where the vast majority of aquarium hunting occurs, because they already trashed Oahu species and habitat, is 140 miles of continuous coral cover. You cannot drop anchor over fishy habitat without hitting coral. They do it daily—chains, nets, buckets—then they walk on the coral.

I dove on a reef last May at Keawaike on the Kona Coast, when an aquarium hunter attacked a fellow diver for filming him with a Go-Pro camera. He'll stand trial next week for terroristic threatening.

Aquarium extraction is against everything Hawaiian, and I urge you to pass HB873. Thank you.

Robert Wintner
Snorkel Bob's

I support HB873 banning commercial fish collecting for the commercial aquarium trade. Over the 50 years I've snorkeled here I have noticed with alarm that the amount of reef fish has declined tremendously. The only places with abundant fish are the few marine reserves.
The coral reefs need the fish to keep it healthy, and our corals are already dying from other things such as runoff and bleaching.
This bills needs to pass for the sake of our islands.
Alma McGoldrick
Kailua

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY)

TED L.K. KIESEL 2-10-15

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

MY NAME TED KIESEL, I'M A SESSION AIDE FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SARGEANT OF ARMS. I TOOK OFF FROM WORK SO I COULD TESTIFY AT THIS HEARING. I'M OPPOSED TO HB 873 HB 883 & HB 606. I'M A INVERTABRATE MARINE LIFE COLLECTOR ONCE OR TWICE A WEEK IT PAYS MY BILLS. I COLLECT MOSTLY FEATHER DUSTERS SEA CUCUMBERS & LANE ARC SHRIMP, IN OAHU WATERS (KANEOHE BAY). I'VE BEEN COLLECTING SINCE 1994 FOR (2) DIFFERENT AQUARIUM FISH DEALERS. THE AQUARIUM FISH TRADE HAS HELPED ME & MY FAMILY, MY WIFE AND (4) CHILDREN. I HAD A FULL-TIME JOB & COLLECTED ON THE WEEKENDS. THE COST OF RAISING A FAMILY IS TREMENDOUS & WE WENT WITHOUT ON A LOT THINGS.

I BELIEVE THAT MANAGING OUR RESOURCES & CONTROLLING THE NUMBER OF PERMIT HOLDERS WILL ALLOW MARINE LIFE TO BE SUSTAINABLE. WE GOT TO ALLOWS MARINE LIFE TO DO THEIR THING. (REPRODUCE). I CAN CONTROL MY PRACTICES, BUT NOT OTHER COLLECTORS WE GOT TO BE ON THE SAME PAGE. I PRACTICE THE LEAST AMOUNT DAMAGE TO REEF & ENVIRONMENT & MY CATCH, NOT WANTING CATCH TO DIE! I'VE GOT A LEAST (10) ON MORE AREAS THAT I COLLECT FROM, WHEN ONE AREA HASN'T RECOVERED YOU SKIP IT AND GO TO THE OTHER AREA IN A CONTINOUSE CIRCLE. I THINK THE COLLECTORS POLICE THEMSELVES. IF 4 OR 5 COLLECTORS ARE DOING THE RIGHT THING & 1 COLLECTOR IS DAMAGING REEF & ENVIRONMENT. THEN THE OTHER COLLECTORS GOING TALK TO HIM & TELL EM (WHAT YOU DOING, STOP!) & IF HE NO STOP REPORT HIM TO THE AUTHORITIES (DLNR).

THE AQUARIUM FISH TRADE TOUCHES A LOT OF CITIZENS HELP PAY THEIR BILL'S & IMPROVES THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE. I BELIEVE THE AQUARIUM FISH TRADE IS SUSTAINABLE. I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR ABOUT 20 YRS. & IT CONTINOUS TO REPLENISH STOCKS AVAILABLE. THE AQUARIUM FISH TRADE IS ONLY (1) FACTOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE DECLINE IN ALL FISH & MARINE LIFE. THE HEALTH OF THE OCEAN & LAND ARE CONNECTED. HUMAN POPULATION, POLLUTION, DEFORESTATION, EROSION GLOBLE WARMING ETC. A RUMORE HAS IT THAT FEATHER ~~WORMS~~

DUSTER WORMS IS AN INTRODUCED SPECIES. AND I'M OPPOSSED TO THESE (3) HOUSE BILLS 873, 883 + 606. I'm NATIVE HAWAIIAN + I LOVE HAWAII!

THANK YOU:
TED KIESEL!

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Signed: Isabel Kay **Occupation:** Reg nurse

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Signed: Kevin Brunsen **Occupation:** RN

Print Name: Kevin Brunsen

Date: 2-8-15 **Zip Code:** 96750

To: The House Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs Committee

Re: HB 873

I would like to voice my strong opposition to HB 873, which would prohibit the sale of any aquatic life taken within the jurisdiction of the state for aquarium purposes. The Hawaiian aquarium fishery is considered the state's most economically significant inshore fishery, with estimated landings of over $2.3M in 2014. More importantly, under the auspices of Hawaii's DLNR, this fishery has been subject to an adaptive, data based fisheries management plan which has demonstrably improved overall abundance—both in fishing grounds and no-take Fisheries Replenishment Areas (FRA's).

The data clearly show that this plan is working, and well. The no-take Fishery Replenishment Areas (FRAs), implemented in West Hawaii in 1999, have had a demonstrable effect on abundance of the Yellow Tang (Z. flavescens), a key indicator species responsible for over 84% of overall catch. 2014 data indicates a 64.5% increase in yellow tang populations within the FRA's and no significant decline in populations being fished. Scientific experts, fisheries managers, and Hawaii's own DLNR are in agreement that the adaptive management practices implemented to regulate Hawaii's aquarium fisheries are unequivocally succeeding at increasing abundance and reducing or eliminating localized declines.

As a stakeholder in the aquarium trade, it would deeply trouble me to see such a highly-regarded example of a managed fishery succumb to disinformation and inflammatory rhetoric. The ongoing work spearheaded by DLNR which has resulted in this model fishery would be completely scuttled, and with very little scientific evidence to support taking such a drastic and draconian step.

Sincerely,

Michael Tuccinardi

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All three bills are opposed
I will testify in person.

Thank you
David Dart

HB 873 Opposed

Mark Twain said a lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is still putting on its shoes.

All of these anti-aquarium bills are laced with outright misinformation. They throw out outlandish untrue allegations without any bases in creditable scientific studies. They have zero peer review studies to back up their claims. The truth lies in over 6,000 survey dives by Dr. Walsh and team and his five year report to the legislature.

HB873 opens up with this dubious statement SECTION 1. "The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii". Trouble is, the United States Coral Reef Task Force did not make that statement. I was told by NOAA's Shannon Simpson from the Coral Reef Task Force in an email to me after I called her, "Again, this statement was not issued or approved by the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force (CRTF) nor were we contacted about it before it was included in the legislation. I have inquired with some of my colleagues in the Task Force including Emma Anders (Hawaii DAR) and we have been unable to find this statement anywhere in previous CRTF materials. I am looking into how we, the CRTF, might address this issue".

There is no coral harvesting going on, let alone severe overharvesting. DAR's Dr. Walsh states "there is no evidence of illegal coral harvesting in Hawaii".

HB873 states Species targeted by the industry are three to ten times more abundant in areas protected from aquarium-collecting than in areas where the industry operates, which represents the vast majority of Hawaii's coral reefs. Another false statement. DAR's Dr. Walsh states in his five year report to the legislature "In terms of the yearly differences in a species' abundance between the Open Areas and the FRAs, six species have been consistently more abundant in the FRAs than in the Open Areas. Eleven species showed no consistent pattern and 17 species were consistently more abundant in the Open Areas".

HB873 worries about algae taking over the reefs because of lack of herbivores. Rest assured that is not the case in West Hawaii. The West Hawaii coast is 100% protected for the yellow tang as are kole tang for the breeder populations. The size limit of protecting yellow tang over 4.5 inches and over 4" for the kole tang ensure a huge population of herbivores in protected as well as in the open areas, to eat the algae. Walsh states there are no significant differences in the abundance of adult Yellow Tang in Open vs. closed areas in shallow water (10'-20' depths). Total estimated coastwise population of adult YellowTang in this depth range was estimated to be >2.5 million individuals. There are several million more yellow tang below 20' also.

The kole is the second most aquarium collected species, representing 8% of the total catch. The number of Kole increased significantly in all management areas, including Open Areas from 1999/2000 to 2012/2013. Overall Kole abundance in 30'-60' depth range over the entire West Hawai'i coast increased 49% (over 2.1 million fish) during this time period with a current population of about 6.5 million fish.

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As a biologist and author of marine aquarium books and books on coral taxonomy, I have long taken an interest in the health of coral reefs and the sustainability of the Hawaii live marine ornamental aquarium fishing industry. Reading HB 873 is frankly a shocking experience. It is full of blatantly false statements.

Anti-aquarium organizations have a right to hold opinions about the merits of the aquarium hobby, but is it reasonable to propose bills based on information that is completely provably false? This bill is defamatory. **"Severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii."** ???? There is no harvest of coral or live rock in Hawaii. It is forbidden by law.

Where is the proof of the fish population declines reported? The most recent reports that exist show quite the opposite. Aquarium fishery unhealthy for the environment? The data does not support that claim. The marine ornamental fishery in Hawaii is a sustainable fishery, carefully regulated by the state, and improved over the years of its existence.

Does the Hawaii State Constitution allow banning one user group from using a public resource? This is plainly discriminatory toward the aquarium fishery. Viewed another way, it is discriminatory toward fishes... Is the intent to bestow unique protections to

aquarium fishes? If so, then the other fishes not benefitting from those same protections are being discriminated against. That makes no sense legally or biologically. HB 873 is ill-conceived and should be rejected.

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To: House Ocean, Marine Resources, and Hawaiian Affairs Committee

RE: H.B. NO. 873

Dear Sir or Madame:

I would like to submit the following testimony and strongly state that I strongly OPPOSE H.B. NO.873 relating to aquatic life.

In regards to Section 1: "…The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii." The harvesting of coral from Hawaii state waters has been prohibited for years. There is no evidence of the aquarium trade removing corals from Hawaiian state waters.

In regards to Section 1: "This loss of wildlife threatens Hawaii's reef environments and the socioeconomic benefits they provide, including tourism." Of all things affecting the health of a coral reef, fishing for the aquarium trade has the lowest impact. In addition, collecting areas are extremely well managed and not frequented by snorkelers and tourists. There is stronger argument for regulating the snorkel industry vs. the aquarium industry as more damage is done to reefs by snorkelers.

In regards to Section 1: "The aquarium industry has operated for over fifty years with no limits on the volume of take and no limits on the number of permits." The Hawaiian aquarium industry is extremely well regulated and is considered one of the best well regulated near-shore fisheries in the world. In addition, the US Coral Reef Task Force has even indicated changes they would like made with their bag limits for aquarium collectors.

In regards to Section 1: "Species targeted by the industry are three to ten times more abundant in areas protected from aquarium collecting than in areas where the industry operates." This is simply untrue. I have personally been to Hawaii numerous times and have taken both photographs and video of numerous "closed" and "open collection" reefs. It was very apparent that in numerous locations where tourist snorkeling is heavily advertised, the damage caused by snorkelers to the Hawaiian reef was more detrimental than any "open" area for collection. Species targeted by the aquarium industry can be found in larger quantities in as little as 30 yards from areas frequented by snorkelers.

In regards to Section 1: “Recent research shows that two-thirds of Hawaii reefs are now dominated by the type of algae upon which herbivorous fish would typically feed.” This increase in algae is caused by sedimentation and run-off.

It is important to note that even the US Coral Reef Task Force recently stated in their USCRTF-INTRO video, and I quote “…it wasn’t about closing a refrigerator, it was about saving a reef.” This bill is “closing the refrigerator.”

I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony regarding H.B. NO.873 and sincerely hope the Hawaiian legislature opposes this bill. The Hawaiian Aquarium Fishery continues to be a role model for other fisheries worldwide and continues to be the most valuable, sustainable commercial inshore fishery for the state.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions or testimony.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey E. Eigenbrode

Ike Eigenbrode
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Signed: _____ Occupation: RN

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Clerk

Print Name: Trixy Sakata

Date: 2/8/15 **Zip Code:** 96704

I urge the committee to say NO to HB 873. This Bill is inconsistent with scientific data.

While HB 873 offers a justification for why the Bill's authors believe the fishery should be closed, a thorough analysis of the data show that the justification offered is inconsistent with the available science.

The West Hawaii aquarium fishery, which represents nearly three-quarters of the State's aquarium fishery in terms of landings, is considered one of the best-studied aquarium fisheries in the world, and the data consistently support the State's own conclusion that the fishery is being fished sustainably.

For this fishery to be closed by legislative action ignoring the data would be a blow to the fishery itself, Hawaii's own fisheries management in general and the legislative process, which established the West Hawaii Fishery Management Area (WHRFMA) in 1998.
http://www.reef2rainforest.com/2015/02/07/public-hearings-approach-for-hawaii-aq-fishery-bills/

Please give proper credit to scientific research rather than emotional arguments.

Thank you,

Tal Sweet

I staunchly oppose Measure HB873 prohibiting the sale of aquatic life for aquarium purposes.

Measure HB873 will outright destroy the livelihoods of those who work in this industry and other related industries here in the Hawaii.

I believe better monitoring and enforcement needs to be the focus. This would mean the employ of more individuals who can directly monitor our shores. Here are two excerpts taken from Department of Land and Natural Resources Wikipedia page- "DLNR officers patrol 3,000,000 acres (12,000 km^2) of state ocean waters, 3,200,000 acres (13,000 km^2) of state land or conservation land, and 750 miles (1,210 km) of coast line. Statewide, there are approximately 120 conservation officers divided among six islands." "In May 2011, William Aila, Director of the Department of Land and Natural Resources said, "eventually the department will need four times as many conservation officers as it does now to properly serve all the enforcement expectations of the department, which has jurisdiction over all state lands and the near-shore waters".

Presently, there is still a shortage of patrolling officers within DLNR in order to properly enforce and maintain laws.

Measure HB873 is purely focused on those who gather and sell for aquarium purposes as the cause of depletion and or destruction of marine ecosystem and certain species of marine life, which in my honest opinion is not fair!

Those individuals and entities who use misinformation and blatant lies regarding our ocean and marine life only serve to impede the process and eventually create havoc for the community and our environment. Gather and sale of aquatic life for aquarium purposes, conducted lawfully and correctly by the individual or entity should not be interfered with in the state of Hawaii.

Hawaii is globally recognized as the leader in sustainable aquarium trade practices and is considered to be one of the most meticulously managed fisheries in the world. The state of Hawaii has even come to the conclusion that its marine aquarium fishery is sustainable. The establishment of the WHFMA has been successful and has resulted in an overall increase in the number of aquarium fish on Hawaiian reefs. The "White List" is also a reasonable measure that effectively limits the species, number, and size of certain species collected for the aquarium fishery. Legislative action taken to close this fishery would completely ignore available scientific data and undermine all recent efforts in fisheries management.

Rep. Kaniela Ing, Chair
Rep. Nicole Lowen, Vice Chair
Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs
Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2011

In opposition to HB 873, relating to Aquatic Life

I work as a full time commercial fisherman on Oahu, with the majority of my income coming from saltwater aquarium fish. I also have a Bachelors of Science degree in Marine Biology from the University of Hawaii and have participated in a number of research projects concerning coral reef conservation, fisheries monitoring, and marine exploration. As a fisherman, I am proud to be part of what I know is a healthy and sustainable fishery that contributes to our economy, while providing thousands of people in Hawaii and around the world an opportunity to enjoy the ocean and its creatures. I am strongly opposed to HB 873, which has no scientific basis and would needlessly eliminate a vibrant and sustainable local industry.

As fishermen, our livelihoods depend on maintaining healthy reefs and healthy fish stocks, and we have no desire to see our resources depleted. I strive to fish in a responsible and sustainable manner, taking only the fish that I need and rotating my collection sites to ensure that the fish are replenished before I visit them again. I do not use destructive fishing methods, break coral, or collect species that are unsuitable for captivity. I am careful to follow all current fishing regulations and have submitted full and accurate catch reports to DLNR every month, as required by law. I have no desire to interfere with the rights of other ocean users, and am careful to avoid fishing in areas frequented by recreational divers and snorkelers.

For the following reasons, I am opposed to HB 873:

The aquarium industry supports hundreds of local residents and their families

Since 1953, when the state began issuing aquarium permits, the aquarium industry has provided a livelihood for many Hawaii residents. This includes not only fishermen such as myself, but also fish dealers, pet stores, aquarium maintenance personnel, and many others. These are legitimate businesses, licensed and regulated by the state. All told, hundreds of people in the state earn a living directly from the aquarium industry. These are local families, with children to feed, bills to pay, and elderly relatives to support. The passage of HB 873 would instantly take away our livelihoods and plunge many local families into unemployment and poverty.

Our industry is a critical part of Hawaii's diversified economy

According to DLNR, the aquarium fishery is currently the most economically significant near-shore fishery in the state; with landed values exceeding those of akule, lobster, and even bottomfish. However, that is only a small part of the picture. The fish we catch support a much larger industry - when the cost of retail & wholesale sales, imported fish, dry goods, tank maintenance, air freight, and packing materials are considered, the overall value of the industry

is many times greater than the initial value of our fish. Hawaii has already suffered enough as a result of the poor economy, and it would be foolish to eliminate an export industry that provides valuable income to the state.

The aquarium industry supports & complements the tour industry

Disturbingly, proponents of this bill have claimed that the fishery is harmful to tourism, and are using this as rationalization for eliminating our industry. Although it is true that tourism is far more lucrative than any fishing activity, this should not be used as justification for eliminating one type of business in favor of another. In Hawaii, there are hundreds of square miles of ocean; more than enough for everybody to share. On Oahu, the aquarium fishery has been in operation for more than fifty years, and our activities have not stopped the development and growth of a thriving tourist industry. Here, there is no conflict between us and the dive tour companies - we realize that their business is important and we have always been able to work together. In fact, we and other fishermen contribute significantly to the income of local dive shops through the purchase of air fills, dive equipment, and gear maintenance. Moreover, aquariums in hotels, restaurants, and other venues play a significant role in enhancing the visitor experience. As part of a diversified economy, the aquarium trade complements tourism rather than hurts it.

The aquarium fishery has proven to be sustainable & compatible with healthy reefs

The state Department of Land & Natural Resources has been monitoring the aquarium fishery since the early 1970s. At no point in time has there been any evidence of a declining fishery, especially on Oahu where the fishery has remained extremely stable for the past ten years. On the Big Island, the most recent data from DLNR indicates that the fishery is very healthy, and the population of the most collected species has increased significantly over the past 15 years. We have been diving the same reefs for more than 40 years, and have not seen a long term decline in fish abundance - each year the fish return just as strong as before. If the supposed depletion of fish was true, we would have been out of business long ago.

Moreover, research conducted since 1998 in Kona, where the majority of fish collection occurs, has shown no difference in coral health or algal abundance between areas where the fishery is permitted and areas that are closed. It is clear that the fishery is not harmful to the health of the reef. This information is readily available from DAR should anybody be so concerned.

Fishing should be managed based on science, not politics or emotion

Most aquarium fishermen, myself included, recognize the need for appropriate regulations to conserve the resources upon which we depend for a living. However, rules must be based on science, rather than emotion, and must accurately reflect the concerns of all parties involved. It is important to recognize that, when dealing with commercial fisheries, the livelihoods of many people are at stake. We have been working extensively with the Department of Land & Natural resources to improve management of the fishery both on Oahu and the Big Island, and it's clear that our efforts are successful. Closing a fishery that is well managed and

sustainable sets a very poor example for resource management and serves only to polarize our community.

In summary, HB 873 is a flawed and harmful bill. It would needlessly shut down a thriving local industry, put hundreds of Hawaii residents out of work, and deprive many people in Hawaii and around the world of an enjoyable, educational, and enriching hobby that fosters an appreciation for the marine environment like no other. The aquarium fishery has proven to be sustainable, it has proven to be compatible with healthy coral reefs, and it has proven to be compatible with the tourist industry. In the interests of responsible fisheries management, I urge the committee not to pass this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify,

Matthew Ross

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I worked for Division of Aquatic Resources from 1997 to 2013. I specially researched the Aquarium fishery in Kona from 1998 thru 2011 as part of DAR Kona Office. I testified in support of banning the Aquarium fishery in Feb 2011 on SB587. Based on my experience and knowledge of the condition of the reef resources around the State of Hawaii, the NWHI and specifically the Kona coast I strongly urge closing this fishery down permanently. With all of the cumulative impacts to our reefs we need more importantly now than ever before the ecosystem services these fish provide to sustaining a healthy coral reef ecosystem. You can not continue to harvest fish from both ends and eating fish is more important to our people. Hawaii DAR\'s whole fishery strategy is based on L50. Allowing half a population of a species of fish to grow to a size at which they would first be able reproduce. The Aquarium fishery is contrary to this strategy which tries to let fish reproduced once before they are harvested to eat. We did a quick analysis once of the aquarium fishery in Australia on the Great Barrier Reef. If we were to follow the Australians fishery management model and apply it to the West Hawaii coastline in Kona there would be only ONE collector permitted to operate there. Australia manages their reefs better than anyone so maybe we should follow their lead. In Kona we use Area Closures to primarily manage this fishery. About 35% of the coastline is closed to AQ fishing. One study came out from another group that if you were going to use this type of management for this type of fishery you needed a minimum of 60% closures. Hookena community a traditional fishing community here in Kona is working on a subsistence fishing area for their Ahu puaa. DAR Kona refused to allow them to close their traditional fishing area off to AQ collecting, further when a subcommittee working on a network of Kapu areas for the Kona coast had decided that they would put these areas where they needed to go based on science even if it meant closing down more reef to AQ collecting, DAR Kona said NO. The recent set of new rules the former Gov. signed concerning the AQ fishery in Kona are seriously flawed purposefully. The new White List that allows only certain species to be harvested still allows 99% of of what the collectors took to still be taken and when we calculated how many fish would be saved by this new measure it was only a couple thousand. When a fish that should have been banned was allowed to remain on the list the Biologist set the bag limit for that

	fish above what any collector had ever previously taken basically making the bag limit ineffective. There are many examples of this kind of mismanagement going on within DAR statewide. Hawaii has over 80% of the coral reefs in the U.S. it is time that this State step up and start leading the way and set the example. We have a responsibility to the entire U.S. to take care of these reefs for all it\'s citizens as this is a public resource and not any one groups to dominate and dictate how it is used. We do not allow our native endemic birds to be taken and stuck in cages so why do we allow are native endemic fish to be collected and stuck in aquariums. These fish are just as rare and just as important to the reefs as our native birds are to our forests here in Hawaii. Lets all be good stewards and do the right thing and Ban Aquarium Collecting. It is the correct Ethical choice and will benefit Hawaii and it\'s people for many many generations to come. If you would like further information I can provide an insiders view to what was going on at Kona DAR while I was there. By the way while working there I came into contact with AQ collectors committing fishing regulation violations almost on a weekly basis. Most violations went unpunished for one reason or another and most collectors that will testify in front of you I have caught and even some have been found guilty in court of committing such violations. They would like to appear to you as law abiding fisher persons. Such a small group 50 or so individuals should not have the capability of causing so much damage to Hawaii\'s reefs especially since our reefs generate Billions in income for Hawaii. Ban it Now Mahalo, Brent Carman

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Because depleting our stock of reef fish is a grave and tragic loss. There should be a moratorium on harvesting reef fish until they are allowed to recover.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. \"Canary in the coal mine\"...\"Global Warming & subsequent sustainability WARNINGS\"... If our corrupt representatives can\'t understand science, why? Most are lawyers so should be able to comprehend...MAYBE THOSE who vote against environmental protection HAVE HAD THEIR VOTES ALREADY BOUGHT & PAID FOR?! TRANS NATIONAL CORPORATIONS, BEHOLDEN UNTO NO LAW OF ANY LAND...

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please stop allowing the gathering and selling of Hawaii's living beings. Please protect our reefs and oceans from the deadly aquarium trade. As many as 98% of all organisms captured die before they even get to market. A market, for people's home and office ENTERTAINMENT, not even food... Mahalo for your time Diane Marshall

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a scuba diver. I have been diving in Maui for 9 years. I am saddened by the fact that so many of the fish are disappearing. I love the yellow tangs and used to see them everywhere, now i hardly ever see them. Bring back our fish!

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a small business owner with clients from around the world. They come here to see our beautiful ocean, diving, snorkeling, swimming. We need to disallow the aquarium trade from taking fish from our ocean. No fish equals fewer visitors. I worked in a place that had an aquarium about 15 years ago. The fish were always dying. It doesn't make sense that Hawaii's government doesn't protect our most valuable resource. Please protect our fish which equals protecting our economy!

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Every state in the Union prohibits endangering or physical abuse of wildlife. It is time to recognize that the treatment of this national and state asset in cruel and inhumane capture, injection, and confinement amounts to animal cruelty which is punishable by law. And if the law-makers and officers do not uphold the current law, this HB873 should make it clear that they now have to.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Look, this is simple. The use of public lands and wildlife is a matter of public benefit and asset. Unless you ban the taking of these national and state assets for the sole benefit of a few rich corporation and entities, you allow the theft of a national and state asset and are, therefore, equally culpable of wasting the public\\\'s assets.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our business is directly connected to tourists who come to our island to enjoy its nature and wildlife. The aquarium trade endangers our families livelihood.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a visiting scuba diver for over 25 years to the islands of Hawaii, I have seen the dwindling fish residency up close and personal. Some species gone to nothing more than overtaking for both personal and public aquariums. Please take the necessary steps to keep the islands wildlife and fish populations healthy. Give me a reason to keep visiting your islands!

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. There has been serious damage done to the reefs already and millions of fish are missing from West Hawaii reefs. This unique ecosystem must be protected! Thank you.

ing2-Mary

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State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a trained ecologist and SCUBA instructor, I would like to see the destructive practices of the aquarium trade banned before the reefs of Hawaii are totally destroyed. The removal of the final barrier to the destruction of the coral reefs here, the herbivores, will allow algae to totally overgrow and smother the reefs. This will result in a tremendous decrease in the biodiversity currently found there. Divers that I lead want to see this diversity. The fish, invertebrates and mollusks found there add to their enjoyment in their stay in these beautiful islands. The reefs are being assaulted in many ways, please remove this stressor by supporting this bill.

ing2-Mary

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Name:	Peyton Williams
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Island or City	Kailua
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a SCUBA instructor on Oahu with advanced graduate work in ecology. From two standpoints I am against the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The first is the disappearance of the animals that most of my students and those I guide want to see when they come here. This disappearance is because of the loss of the herbivorous species of fish and the resultant increase of algae which is smothering many reefs around Oahu. Of course there are other contributing factors to the increase in algae smothering the reefs, such as eutrophication from fertilizer runoff and sewage seepage, but the last line of defense is the fish which eat the algae from the coral. The second is the great biodiversity found in coral reefs. This biodiversity is considered key to future medical discoveries. A number of medicines have been derived from coral reefs and are expected to be important in treating a variety of diseases including cancer, arthritis and various infections. (NOAA website <> Healthy reefs are more important to the tourist economy of the State than the aquarium trade. Please ban these destructive practices before it is too late.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <MOOOSO1@AOL.COM>
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Name:	JOHN ROGERS
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Island or City	KIHEI
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. SAVE THE REEFS...

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Maryquinn2@mac.com>
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Name:	Mary Quinn
E-mail:	Maryquinn2@mac.com
Island or City	Oahu
State	Honolulu
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our reefs used to support so many colorful fish. It was a pleasure to swim and snorkel with all those yellow Tang and others. Now, our reefs are substantially less colorful as the brightest fish populations have been decimated in service to the aquarium trade. Ban the trade, preserve Hawaii\'s reefs and local fishes!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <mark@marksheehan.com>
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Name:	mark sheehan
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Island or City	Haiku
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Aquarium poachers have looted our reefs. Like the wildlife of Africa, like the great whales, our reef fish are worth more alive than they are dying in plastics bags to support an industry that is willing to bag the last fish. Please vote YES on this bill

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <corradoborg@yahoo.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <jheidrich@mac.com>
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Name:	Jeannette Heidrich
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State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The oceans of Hawaii are out of balance, please stop the collecting so that our children and grandchildren can experience the oceans of our forefathers. 99% of the collected fish are dead within a year stop this carnage thank you

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From: Testimony Submittal <ahood@srgii.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <Kailua0862@yahoo.com>
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State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Having spent the last two decades visiting the Kihei coastline for snorkeling I have personally witnessed the dramatic decline in fish populations, especially in commercial aquarium fish such as the yellow tang. Our ecosystem is too fragile to support aquarium trade.

ing2-Mary

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Name:	Jeffrey Dieden
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Walter.hutton.bananas@gmail.com>
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Name:	Walter Hutton
E-mail:	Walter.hutton.bananas@gmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. When fish are taken from our delicate reefs. They disturb the fragile system they live in. That system starts to fall a part and eventually die. What is hawaii without a reef? What is hawaii without tourism?

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From: Testimony Submittal <tricia_94109@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Michael Gaulke
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State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am an avid ocean swimmer and diver and have noted a decline in the topical fish populations on the Kona coast over the past two years. The taking of fish to be sold to the aquarium trade is depleting one of Hawaii\'s great resources. We must preserve the fish for our children and generations to come.

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From: Testimony Submittal <makiaweli2012@gmail.com>
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Name:	Keomailani Von Gogh
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a Native Hawaiian living in Hilo. I do not consider people who capture reef fish with vacuums fishermen. This is absolutely not a sustainable practice in no way shape or form. Once these fish are gone they are gone. I know there are some other factors at play here contributing to the decreasing numbers in populations, but given that, should we really let this practice of fish collection for the aquarium trade continue? Mahalo for your time. Keomailani Von Gogh Keomailani Von Gogh

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From: Testimony Submittal <feathers03@msn.com>
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State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our reef fish already face threats from invasive species, pollution and a changing ocean environment. If these fish cannot be bred in captivity, they should not be in aquariums.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Cadecker39@comcast.net>
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Island or City	Pollock Pines
State	California
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Going to Maui is all about seeing the fish

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <vcarbia@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Vanessa Carbia
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State	Florida
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Hawaii is the world's third largest supplier of reef fish for mainland household aquariums. The trade has depleted wild populations. Most of the marine life captured by the aquarium trade replaces animals that died prematurely because of poor treatment in the supply chain. Money saving practices from reef to retail injure and stress marine life and are attributed to 80% of fish deaths in household tanks. Thank you.

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State	Hi.
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Let's keep the fish on the reef! The aquarium trade is all about $$$, it's not pono! Let's protect our beautiful fish!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <audwong@nuevaschool.org>
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Name:	Audrey Wong
E-mail:	audwong@nuevaschool.org
Island or City	Kailua-Kona
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is not ok to deplete the resources in our ocean. Doing so completely destroys the surrounding ecosystem, affecting all of marine life, and eventually us. If we do not stop overfishing and tropical fishing of rare fish and species, the ocean and us will suffer. It is not a problem of the future where the oceans die, it is a problem of today. Especially because tropical fishing takes out key species in our ocean that the rest of the ecosystem depends on. You may think that only a couple of fish missing from the ocean goes unnoticed in the long term, but fishers waste up to 90% of annual catch because of mistreatment. There aren\'t just a couple fish being taken out for aquarium purposes, thousands are also dying in repercussions. Stop the aquarium trade and save the ocean.

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State	WA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. If people want to see the fish, have them go to Hawaii. Do not strip the waters around the islands of their natural fauna.

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From: Testimony Submittal <shannon.wong88@gmail.com>
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Island or City	Kirkland
State	WA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our aquatic wildlife are being plundered and quite soon there will be no more. This as what we call ecocide. Impacting negatively our biodiversity and functioning of aquatic life.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <lulumomma@juno.com>
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Name:	Cindy Fear
E-mail:	lulumomma@juno.com
Island or City	317 E Cherry Ave
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please ban the harvest of reef fish for the aquarium trade. They are far more valuable living and breeding to keep the populations up and healthy.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <dannypugh@verizon.net>
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From: Testimony Submittal <dbowen@hawaii.rr.com>
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E-mail:	dbowen@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	HONOLULU
State	HAWAII
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Capturing fish from our threatened reefs for sale to collectors makes no more sense than capturing birds for sale. The reef fish are part of the environment that makes Hawaii an attraction for both residents and tourist.

ing2-Mary

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please keep the fish intheir natural habitat for all to enjoy.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <hiannikki@hotmail.com>
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State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The beauty of our environment is what keeps the tourists coming. If we ban the aquarium for just one reason, this economic fact is a good one. The taking of fish is highly damaging to the ecosystem. It's just a bad idea. Please vote to ban the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <lindagent@gmail.com>
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State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. In the 10 years that I have been living in South Maui, I have seen a big decline in the fish on the South Maui Reefs. Please vote to prohibit the sale of aquatic life for aquariums. We need to help preserve our reefs.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <mntns_r_us@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Christopher Ewing
E-mail:	mntns_r_us@hotmail.com
Island or City	townsend
State	tn
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. One of the many things Hawaii has always been known for is your ocean, the shores, and the reefs These small animals make up your world So why in the world would you endanger something that is priceless to your existence? Please do not allow this to continue Save what makes Hawaii Save the habitat and you save the species

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <mntns_r_us@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:43 PM
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Name:	Christopher Ewing
E-mail:	mntns_r_us@hotmail.com
Island or City	Townsend
State	Tn
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Why on earth would Hawaii of all places be ok with taking from your oceans and putting these animals in the tanks? I would think you would protect the ocean so the fish stay in them. Please stop the trade, and stop the trade from transporting across the country and to any part of the world. Use your common sense. They all belong where the creator put them. Not in tanks to end up dead because someone didn\'t clean their filter out.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <doctord@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:41 PM
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Name:	Diane Shepherd
E-mail:	doctord@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have been a diver in Hawaii for 50 years and have personally witnessed the decline in the nearshore reefs. When aquarium fishers moved from Maui to the Big Island several species which were previously only seen in reserves began to reappear outside the reserves.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <acurrie@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:40 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Gretchen Currie
E-mail:	acurrie@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Captain Cook
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I am writing to state my very strong support for HB873. The aquarium fish collection industry has had a disastrous effect on Hawaii's reef fish populations. Recent studies have shown that banning fish collection in protected zones on the Kona coast have resulted in a healthy rebound of fish IN THOSE AREAS, while the rest of the coast continues to suffer depleted levels of reef fish. It's just not fair to allow a few fish collectors to take enormous amounts of reef fish from the reefs that belong to all of us! I fully and very strongly support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It's the right thing to do.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <KissimmeeConnie@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:31 PM
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Name:	Constance Rohal
E-mail:	KissimmeeConnie@yahoo.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We can look to President Theodore Roosevelt as a champion for environmental issues, and aren't we glad he was? Because of his inexhaustible interest in preserving the beauty of our country we have our National Parks, and what they have protected. He said in a speech in 1907 "Optimism is a good characteristic, but if carried to an access, it becomes foolishness. We are prone to speak of the resources of this country as inexhaustible; this is not so." For the state of Hawaii to turn away from the devastation that this unrestricted harvesting of reef life will accomplish, is the foolishness this wise president spoke of. Conservation and environmental stewardship is the responsibility of all, but most importantly those with the power to institute real and positive change. "Wild flowers should be enjoyed unplucked where they grow." The survival rate is minimal for the fish removed from the reef, and the reef itself near death without them. Let people come to our beautiful state and see them in their natural environment. Value them and keep them in the underwater "national parks" of Hawaii. It is wrong to allow reef fish to be bought and sold to the highest bidder with no regard to the environmental ramifications.

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From: Testimony Submittal <bexter@maui.net>
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Name:	Rebecca Sydney
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Island or City	maui
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <bexter@maui.net>
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Name:	Rebecca Sydney
E-mail:	bexter@maui.net
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This is irresponsible and threatens Hawaii's natural resources.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Board2live@care2.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:00 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Sara Trayser
E-mail:	Board2live@care2.com
Island or City	Paia, Maui
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <coolingmt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:58 PM
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Name:	Michael Cooling
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Island or City	Rescue
State	Ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <hansen@jhpartners.com>
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Name:	John Hansen
E-mail:	hansen@jhpartners.com
Island or City	Hawaii
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. In just the past ten years, I have seen a dramatic reduction in the vitality of our reef life and environment in West Hawaii. Once gone, this beautiful, unique and thriving undersea world will not recover, but will die away, like the dead reefs in Mexico. Please protect this most important state resource. Many thanks for your attention.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <alohinakachi@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Alohi Nakachi
E-mail:	alohinakachi@yahoo.com
Island or City	Kona
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Growing up on the islands it is not hard to recognize the amazing and unique resources it supports. One of the most amazing aspects of Hawaii's resources are its beautiful coral reefs a resource that attracts visitors from all over the world. Hawaii's economy is dependent on its coral reefs that support many industries such as fisheries and tourism. These industries produce billions of US dollars and support thousands of jobs. Yet all these industries are all impacted by damages from the aquarium trade. This is one industry that supports around a couple hundred people. Like the ecosystems in Hawaii, all aspects of nature and industries are all connected in a complex web. Each species that is impacted in turn impacts all species that interact with it from predator to prey to its predator's prey and predators to it's prey's predators and prey and so forth and so on. So too are the aspects of the economy, each industry that is impacted in turn impacts the industries it interacts with. While the chain of impacts is not always as obvious as those of the targeted areas, they are still relevant and serious which is especially evident to those who have studied these interaction as I have. With a background in science and economics these particular impacts become excruciatingly relevant in these cases but often fall on deaf ear. Given that the jobs and livelihoods of those associated with the aquarium trade will be impacted, one cannot ignore those already impacted by the aquarium trades existence in Hawaii. Those actions of a few collectors have devastating impacts on the coral reefs of Hawaii and all the organisms that subside in these ecosystems. All industries that are supported or dependent on these coral reefs are in turn impacted. While the revenue earned from the aquarium trade may be estimated between $1 million to $2 million, the revenue that is impacted from damages to coral reef ecosystems may easily not only equal this amount but surpass it significantly. Realizing this impact it would be ridiculous to continue to allow such an industry to exist. While there are laws that exist now and that may be implemented in the future to help diminish the impacts of the aquarium trade, the state

	of Hawaii doesn't have the means or the enforcement for such laws and regulations to be successful. Banning the trade would be the easiest and most successful method to diminish the impacts from the aquarium trade. This would be the most efficient and successful method given Hawaii's resources for enforcement and regulation.

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From: Testimony Submittal <hansen@jhpartners.com>
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Name:	John Hansen
E-mail:	hansen@jhpartners.com
Island or City	Hawaii
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our beautiful and unique reef environment is in danger from fish collectors. How can we even consider damaging one of the key elements of our economy-- the reef attracts millions of tourists and billions of dollars-- for what?

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <elle@ellestephens.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:12 PM
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Name:	eleanor stephens
E-mail:	elle@ellestephens.com
Island or City	72-129 lei kauna oa place
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our sons grew up snorkeling the wonderful reefs in Hawaii. Please please protect them so our four wonderful grandchildren can do the same! Mahalo a nui loa, elle

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Ashmalave@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:05 PM
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Name:	Ashley Malave
E-mail:	Ashmalave@aol.com
Island or City	4 Woodlawn avenue
State	New York
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <ratguppy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:04 PM
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Name:	Jespah Koja
E-mail:	ratguppy@yahoo.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Fish are being captured and taken from the reef for no good reason. Most of them die in transit and those who survive don't live out their natural lifespan. Mahalo, Jespah Koja

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <catgould@gmail.com>
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Name:	cat goild
E-mail:	catgould@gmail.com
Island or City	ashland
State	or
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. please protect the lives of all creatures to be treated kindly and gently and hopefully left to live their lives in their natural habitat

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <catgould@gmail.com>
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Name:	cat gould
E-mail:	catgould@gmail.com
Island or City	Ashland
State	Or
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. when I travel to Hawaii I want to see the flora and fauna in their natural habitat, not for sale!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Mlj626@att.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:02 PM
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Name:	Mary Johnson
E-mail:	Mlj626@att.net
Island or City	Edgewater
State	fl
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <obxhoney@aol.com>
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Name:	Michele desgain
E-mail:	obxhoney@aol.com
Island or City	kill devil hills
State	nc
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <perry@athertonlane.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:00 PM
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Name:	Perry Olson
E-mail:	perry@athertonlane.com
Island or City	Kailua;Kona
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The marine life and fish of the Hawaii coasts are unique and valuable assets. Most of the fish captured by the aquarium gatherers perish. The are squandering state resources. This ban will protect the fish and the reefs without harming local fishermen.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <rhian50@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 2:47 PM
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Name:	Rhian Parker
E-mail:	rhian50@hotmail.com
Island or City	Clevedon
State	United kingdom
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Enough is enough,when will this insanity stop.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Aligirl82@gmail.com>
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Name:	Ali Poe
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Island or City	Hana maui
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <merway@hawaii.rr.com>
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Name:	Marjorie Erway
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Island or City	Kailua Kona
My message to the Committee:	Aloha OMH Committee Members! I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <conn@connbrattain.com>
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Name:	Conn Brattain
E-mail:	conn@connbrattain.com
Island or City	Paia
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <surfkook@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 11:00 AM
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Name:	Deborah Driscoll
E-mail:	surfkook@gmail.com
Island or City	160 Keonekai rd, Kihei
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. wasting wildlife is not pono!!!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Lorraineparis@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 11:39 AM
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Name:	Lorraine Garnier
E-mail:	Lorraineparis@msn.com
Island or City	Kailua
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We are losing our endemic species and need to set some protection efforts into place.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <karentlr9@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 12:58 PM
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Name:	Karen Hollyoak
E-mail:	karentlr9@gmail.com
Island or City	18 Mourne Grange
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <lopekana@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 12:45 PM
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Name:	George Robertson
E-mail:	lopekana@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. 100% of the members present (over 50 persons) at the recent Puako Community Assn. annual meeting on Hawaii Island were asked if any supported aquarium collection. None (zero) indicated support for this destructive "industry." Mahalo, George Robertson Puako Community Assn Board member

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From: Testimony Submittal <surfkook@gmail.com>
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Name:	Deborah Driscoll
E-mail:	surfkook@gmail.com
Island or City	kihei, Maui
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Wasting wildlife is not pono!!!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <cesere@yahoo.com>
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Name:	John Cesere
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Island or City	Wailuku Maui
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Amberfischer@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Amber Fischer
E-mail:	Amberfischer@hotmail.com
Island or City	2957 kalakaua ave. Suit 417, Honolulu hawaii 96815
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please save our reefs. -amber

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <dawnzierk@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 2:13 PM
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Name:	Dawn Zierk
E-mail:	dawnzierk@yahoo.com
Island or City	Kona
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We do not have to supply aquariums with our beautiful fish. It is DESTROYING the ecosystem. What are the coral reefs and fish worth to you and your family? Do you hope your children and grandchildren will be able to swim and see the fish you did growing up? This ban is imperative to keep Hawaii's reefs alive for future generations.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <suyin@hawaii.edu>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 10:26 AM
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Name:	Suyin Phillips
E-mail:	suyin@hawaii.edu
Island or City	Oahu
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is stealing!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <danielb@snorkelbob.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 10:20 AM
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Name:	Daniel Breault
E-mail:	danielb@snorkelbob.com
Island or City	Honolulu
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The aquarium trade decimates our reefs while providing big money for a small number of people. Most of whom do NOT EVEN LIVE HERE!! The local economy does not benefit in the long run. Our tourism is affected by diminishing aquatic life on the reefs. How can you support something that takes away from the land and gives nothing back? Healthy reefs bring in BILLIONS more dollars in tourism than the aquarium trade. GET RID OF THEM!!!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <berny5bern@yahoo.fr>
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Name:	bernadette Cuellar
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Island or City	4, Chemin du Garrigot
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <robertraimomaui@gmail.com>
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Name:	robert raimo
E-mail:	robertraimomaui@gmail.com
Island or City	220 kamakoi loop, kihei
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. let's face it, tourism is the lifeblood of the outer islands like maui, people come here to swim and see these fish, why should very few benefit from killing off the resource for a few quick bucks and negatively impact everyone else? makes sense to ban it now, and for good. robert raimo

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From: Testimony Submittal <kimo1246@yahoo.com>
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Island or City	758 Kapahulu Avenue 100-1002
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <jeff_808@hotmail.com>
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Name:	jeff soto
E-mail:	jeff_808@hotmail.com
Island or City	oahu/hnl
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Jw.trujillo@comcast.net>
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Name:	Jesse Trujillo
E-mail:	Jw.trujillo@comcast.net
Island or City	Maui
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <barbara.hilber@freenet.de>
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Name:	Barbara Hilber
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Island or City	germany
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <jeff_808@hotmail.com>
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Name:	jeff soto
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Island or City	oahu/hnl
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <anglescola@gmail.com>
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E-mail:	anglescola@gmail.com
Island or City	Manresa
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <gail@garoutte.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 9:16 AM
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Name:	Gail Garoutte
E-mail:	gail@garoutte.com
Island or City	Milolii, South Kona
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Pelehiiaka@hawaii.rr.com>
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Name:	Michelle Tomas
E-mail:	Pelehiiaka@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Kona
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our resources are being being depleted faster than it can replenish itself. What would Hawaii be like without our beautiful fish! Please follow your na'au. Save our God given gifts to our beautiful paradise! Mahalo!!!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Stephanie.l.costanzo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 9:00 AM
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From: Testimony Submittal <kpanizza1@cox.net>
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From: Testimony Submittal <braunmartina25@aol.de>
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From: Testimony Submittal <dchase400@cox.net>
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State	CT
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please protect Hawaiis precious asset and ban the sale of aquatic life captured in Hawaii. Several years ago I brought my children to Kealakekua Bay in the Big Island to snorkel. I'm looking forward to visiting again next year. By preserving your reefs,you are preserving one of Hawaiis greatest assets,tourism...its a win/win situation.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Stop the extinction!

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From: Testimony Submittal <thisisestherkim@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 8:27 AM
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Name:	Esther Varet
E-mail:	thisisestherkim@gmail.com
Island or City	Captain Cook
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. When I would swim in the Big Island waters as a child, during the 80s, the coast would be teaming with fish wildlife. The waters I swim in now are nothing compared to what was the reality 30 years ago. Capturing and collecting fish for Dr offices around the globe, where they come and go like cut flowers, is completely tragic and benefits only the few in the aquatic trade. Hawaii and its people have been robbed for years, it is now our chance to speak up...and stop this rape of the oceans.

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State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The beautiful fish in your magnificent state where I love to vacation and snorkel belong to the ocean, not in pet stores or living rooms. Please, save this natural resource of your state.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <anaisfan05@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <narcinu@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <narcinu@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <mobrock@earthlink.net>
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Name:	Martha Brock
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <lawlesslobo@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Jennifer Wolfsong
E-mail:	lawlesslobo@yahoo.com
Island or City	Beaverton
State	Oregon
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, Please don't allow Hawaii's beautiful treasures to be destroyed by the pet trade. I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <maraguccione@gmail.com>
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Name:	Mara Guccione
E-mail:	maraguccione@gmail.com
Island or City	Berkeley
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our oceans and marine life are facing far too many threats to allow such action. We must do all that we can to protect and preserve the incredibly important and fragile life in our waters.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <ski.like.a.chick@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 8:12 AM
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Name:	Trisha Henning
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Island or City	Yakima
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii as should you!

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From: Testimony Submittal <dchase400@cox.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 8:14 AM
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Name:	Diana Bartlett
E-mail:	dchase400@cox.net
Island or City	303 Three Mile Rd
State	CT
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Keeping the beauty and integrity of the reef systems in Hawaii. Healthy thriving Hawaiian reefs not only benefits Islanders but also supports tourism. A year ago I was fortunate enough to snorkel at Kealakelua Bay on the Big Island and was overwhelmed by the abundance of schools of fish like the yellow tangs. Learn from places like the Philippines,who have destroyed their magnificent reefs due to the aquarium trade and dynamite fishing. Please protect your very precious asset to Hawaii and ban future aquarium trade.

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From: Testimony Submittal <adventuressatlarge@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 8:10 AM
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Name:	Wendy Baylor
E-mail:	adventuressatlarge@yahoo.com
Island or City	Kona
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please don't let those seeking only to line their pockets, to plunder our beautiful reefs for profit.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <benjygarfinkle@mac.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 8:13 AM
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Name:	Benjamin Garfinkle
E-mail:	benjygarfinkle@mac.com
Island or City	Kailua Kona
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We need to preserve our fish and marine life for the well being of the reefs as well as for future generations to enjoy.

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Island or City	Captain Cook
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please end Hawaii's disgraceful history of reef destruction and save the reef before it is too late! The reefs are a state treasure and we need to urgently protect them today, for the sake of future generations. thank you, Joseph Varet

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From: Testimony Submittal <w.alfaromarietta@yahoo.com>
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. When precious aquatic life is decimated in the wild , we will be left only to admire it behind glass..what will this say about the human race? We need to respect nature and learn to enjoy these beautiful creatures in their own natural setting.

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From: Testimony Submittal <jvaret@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <cocimacicario@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Kristen Hall
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Island or City	Burnsville
State	MN
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The fish belong in the Hawaiian waters, not in a dingy aquarium in someone's basement!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <elainehuelin@shuelin.plus.com>
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Island or City	oxon
State	england
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. please do not decimate the reefs!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <kellybergeron69@gmail.com>
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State	Kentucky
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From: Testimony Submittal <owlit1@gmail.com>
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Name:	Frannie Pueo
E-mail:	owlit1@gmail.com
Island or City	P.O. Box 943
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please accept that as elected officials, you must protect not just the safety of the people but too the water, air, land, and all animals from misuse/waste/ cruelty which also includes fish. In the days of the Kapu System which was ideal indirectly protected all fish within certain areas, not just for food consumption but to keep the reef healthy. When does an industry rule by a few in comparison to the greater majority of the people of our islands. In my youth when swimming there were what seemed millions of fish but no more, no it is barren by comparison. These fish support the healthy ecosystem of all life in our reefs, seas, and oceans. They do not belong in an aquarium which shortens their life, does no on any good, and depletes the habitat they were born in.

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From: Testimony Submittal <debbieahern@comcast.net>
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State	Ma
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We need yo protect every living species. It is important for all species to keep them in their habitat.So I oppose quarium trade.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Daniel@pcmedicsd.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <pobugbrew@gmail.com>
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Island or City	Boca raton
State	fl
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <eternalice@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:37 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Paul Valero
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Island or City	6070 nw 64th ave
State	fl
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <kaflenitish1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:34 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Nitish Kafle
E-mail:	kaflenitish1@gmail.com
Island or City	Kathmandu, Nepal
State	Bagmati
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <kaflenitish1@gmail.com>
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Name:	Nitish Kafle
E-mail:	kaflenitish1@gmail.com
Island or City	Kathmandu, Nepal
State	Bagmati
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <bhaktirocks@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:28 AM
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Name:	ane takaha
E-mail:	bhaktirocks@earthlink.net
Island or City	kihei
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The decline in the amount of fish on the reefs is alarming. We need healthy oceans, reefs, and fish to keep our ecosystem balanced and growing. The fact that there are so many fish "wasted" by the practices of these "traders" is a tragedy and a farce! NO FISH=NO REEF=NO TOURISTS=NO ECONOMY. Money talks. Thank you, Ane Takaha

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Pfitch@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:27 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Pete Fitch
E-mail:	Pfitch@tds.net
Island or City	Captain Cook
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I am a resident of our beautiful state and a frequent snorkeler. I have most certainly noted the damage occurring to our reefs and ecosystem from the predatory nature of the aquarium trade. I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Mahalo for your consideration.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <bhaktirocks@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:24 AM
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Name:	ane takaha
E-mail:	bhaktirocks@earthlink.net
Island or City	kihei
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have been coming to Hawaii for over 30 years...and then moved here 8 years ago. The decline in the amount of fish on the reefs is not only noticeable but alarming! I remember going in the water at Ahi hi Keneau reserve and it was like swimming in an aquarium. Now there are days when we see no fish at all. Seems impossible. Between the abundance of the peacock grooper, an imported predator and the illegal aquarium poachers, the fish have no chance. NO FISH, NO REEF = NO TOURISTS = NO ECONOMY. That is reason enough.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <pfitch@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:21 AM
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Name:	Pete Fitch
E-mail:	pfitch@tds.net
Island or City	Captain Cook
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I am a resident of Hawaii and in my snorkeling adventures I have personally seen the before and after effects of aquarium trade damage to our reefs and fish stocks. I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <tru.carrie@live.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:19 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Carrie Trujillo
E-mail:	tru.carrie@live.com
Island or City	851 S Kihei Rd
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <nmueller10@me.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:15 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Nancy Mueller
E-mail:	nmueller10@me.com
Island or City	Kukio Golf and Beach Club
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. ARE WE GOING TO WAIT UNTIL THE LAST ONE IS GONE??? IF PEOPLE WANT YELLOW TANGS LET A ORGANIZATIONS HUSBAND THEM LIKE THE SEAHORSE. PLEASE SAVE OUR BEAUTIFUL MARINE CREATURES FROM THE ALMOST CERTAIN DEATH IN THE AQUARIUM TRADE. ONLY A SMALL FRACTION SURVIVE. THIS IS A TRAVESTY. ACT NOW. PLEASE KEEP THE POACHERS OUT OF MARINE RESERVES AND INCREASE THE REACH OF THE RESERVES.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <eeastley@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:13 AM
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Name:	Elisabeth Eastley
E-mail:	eeastley@gmail.com
Island or City	Cape Town
State	South Africa
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <TangoChelsea@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 7:12 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Chelsea Eng
E-mail:	TangoChelsea@hotmail.com
Island or City	San Francisco
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Wasting wildlife is tragic and unacceptable. Sincerely, Chelsea Eng San Francisco, CA

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From: Testimony Submittal <TangoChelsea@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Chelsea Eng
E-mail:	TangoChelsea@hotmail.com
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State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Wasting wildlife is tragic and unacceptable. Sincerely, Chelsea Eng San Francisco, CA

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From: Testimony Submittal <Mark_Daniels1982@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:56 AM
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Name:	Mark Daniels
E-mail:	Mark_Daniels1982@hotmail.com
Island or City	233 Chablis Way
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Mark_Daniels1982@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:55 AM
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Name:	Mark Daniels
E-mail:	Mark_Daniels1982@hotmail.com
Island or City	233 Chablis Way
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <rbsuzuki@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:54 AM
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Name:	Carol Suzuki
E-mail:	rbsuzuki@aol.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We need to protect over-fishing to maintain our quality of life. A few will ruin the oceans.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Ac21johnson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:51 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Amanda Johnson
E-mail:	Ac21johnson@gmail.com
Island or City	Cypress
State	texas
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <humormeone@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:41 AM
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Name:	Randi Cossey
E-mail:	humormeone@hotmail.com
Island or City	edmonds
State	wa
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Island or City	edmonds
State	wa
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <memberships522@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:14 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Terri Watson
E-mail:	memberships522@comcast.net
Island or City	Westminster
State	CO
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Leave those creatures where they belong...in the ocean!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <memberships522@comcast.net>
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E-mail:	memberships522@comcast.net
Island or City	Westminster
State	CO
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Leave those creatures in the ocean where they belong!

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From: Testimony Submittal <monaas@swbell.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:09 AM
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Name:	Morgan Naas
E-mail:	monaas@swbell.net
Island or City	Ocean View
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support BANNING the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Sullymaui@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 6:07 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Joe Sullivan
E-mail:	Sullymaui@gmail.com
Island or City	Kula
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <MaryFinelli@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:57 AM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

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Name:	Mary Finelli
E-mail:	MaryFinelli@comcast.net
Island or City	Silver Spring
State	Maryland
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the sale of wild-caught fish by the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is extremely detrimental to the well-being of fish and coral reef ecosystems, and it is distressing to people who care about them. Many people come to Hawaii to enjoy seeing fish in the wild. Catching wild fish for private profit and pleasure is wrong and should be permanently banned.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Blaynehelmering@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:54 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Henry Helmering
E-mail:	Blaynehelmering@hotmail.com
Island or City	Wildwood
State	O
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We vacation at the Hawaiin Islands and love a good snorkel. Please help to protect natural wildlife that cannot protect itself.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Blaynehelmering@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:42 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Nicholas Helmering
E-mail:	Blaynehelmering@hotmail.com
Island or City	Wildwood
State	Mo
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. My family visits Hawaii a lot. Please do not hurt the reefs and protect them.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Samantha.helmering@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:40 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Samantha Helmering
E-mail:	Samantha.helmering@hotmail.com
Island or City	Wildwood
State	Mo
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a fourth grader from Missouri and I speak for the fish-please protect us!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Jessica.panzer@me.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:38 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Jessica Middleton
E-mail:	Jessica.panzer@me.com
Island or City	Kamuela
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our reefs deserve to be plentiful please ban the aquarium trade

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Suzanne.lyon2013@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:36 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Suzanne Lyon
E-mail:	Suzanne.lyon2013@gmail.com
Island or City	Ashland
State	Virginia
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Suzanne.lyon2013@gmail.com>
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Name:	Suzanne Lyon
E-mail:	Suzanne.lyon2013@gmail.com
Island or City	Ashland
State	Virginia
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <shellyk@whidbey.com>
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E-mail:	shellyk@whidbey.com
Island or City	Freeland
State	Washington
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Cavan.helmering@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Cavan Helmering
E-mail:	Cavan.helmering@hotmail.com
Island or City	Ildwood
State	Mo
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a sixth grader from Missouri who loves our family vacations to Hawaii. Please do not take the fish. This is disturbing on so many levels.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Klayne4321@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:24 AM
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Name:	Kara Grossling
E-mail:	Klayne4321@hotmail.com
Island or City	Kona
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <klayne4321@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Kara Grossling
E-mail:	klayne4321@hotmail.com
Island or City	Kona
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <brendive@sbcglobal.net>
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Name:	Brenda Bridgett
E-mail:	brendive@sbcglobal.net
Island or City	San Diego
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a diver I love pretty reef fish and they belong ON THE REEF not in some one's home. So many little fishes are accidentally killed for the aquarium trade. It is truly a crime against nature. Brenda Bridgett

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <reneewoo@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:20 AM
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Name:	Renee Woo
E-mail:	reneewoo@yahoo.com
Island or City	San Diego
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <paul.helmering@mercy.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:19 AM
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Name:	Paul Helmering
E-mail:	paul.helmering@mercy.net
Island or City	Wildwood
State	Mo
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Do not take the "gold" from the islands as it is their state treasure and sole reason we visit Hawaii. Protect wildlife!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <reneewoo@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:17 AM
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Name:	Renee Woo
E-mail:	reneewoo@yahoo.com
Island or City	San Diego
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Blaynehelmering@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Layne Helmering
E-mail:	Blaynehelmering@hotmail.com
Island or City	Wildwood
State	Mo
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We frequent Hawaii for vacationing, and our number one reason is the beautiful fish to see while snorkeling. It is heinous that this behavior of taking the fish from their natural habitat is allowed.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Kellisdca@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:05 AM
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Name:	Kelli Shaw
E-mail:	Kellisdca@gmail.com
Island or City	San Diego
State	Ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a former resident of Oahu and a daily scuba diver, I have seen first hand the damage done by collectors.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Kellisdca@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 5:06 AM
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Name:	Kelli Shaw
E-mail:	Kellisdca@gmail.com
Island or City	San Diego
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <couturiervalerie@hotmail.com>
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E-mail:	couturiervalerie@hotmail.com
Island or City	4941 rue Coronet app.17
State	canada montreal
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <alima.friar@gmail.com>
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Name:	Susan Friar
E-mail:	alima.friar@gmail.com
Island or City	PO BOX 1317
State	CO
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <unexpectedfarm@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:28 AM
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Name:	William R. Bey
E-mail:	unexpectedfarm@gmail.com
Island or City	Watkins Glen
State	NY
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, My family and I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Thank you.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <megan93252@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:16 AM
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Name:	Margaret Graney
E-mail:	megan93252@yahoo.com
Island or City	Lexington
State	KY
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The capture of wild fish mush stop. Even very small fish have recently been proven to be far more intelligent, physically sensitive and emotionally complex than we ever knew. They suffer. Their capture and removal damages fragile ecosystems that already shudder under the weight of many other, human-caused stressors. End the aquarium trade in our beautiful Hawaiian oceans.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Justine.Neslund@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:14 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Justine Runvik
E-mail:	Justine.Neslund@yahoo.com
Island or City	Crystal Lake
State	Illinois
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <kristiedaily@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 4:04 AM
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Name:	Kristie martin
E-mail:	kristiedaily@yahoo.com
Island or City	ripon
State	ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <csamantha89@gmail.com>
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Name:	Samantha Bryan
E-mail:	csamantha89@gmail.com
Island or City	Columbia
State	MD
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <papajustify74@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 3:50 AM
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Name:	David Keao
E-mail:	papajustify74@gmail.com
Island or City	mobile
State	alabama
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Sarahgetz.avon@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Sarah getz
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Island or City	volant
State	Pa
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <info@forthesea.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 2:24 AM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

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Name:	Ziggy Livnat
E-mail:	info@forthesea.com
Island or City	St Thomas
State	VI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is emptying Hawaii's reef and the money goes to a few pockets. The reef belong to all people of Hawaii and the money it makes of tourism brings way more income to the state. Not to mention the horrible cruelty to animals. Thank you for supporting the ban. Ziggy

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <roxanne@got.net>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 2:18 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Roxanne rothafel
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State	ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Marciameng@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 1:58 AM
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Name:	Marcia Meng
E-mail:	Marciameng@gmail.com
Island or City	Lara
State	Vic
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. If we do not ban it, the ocean will runout of resource, then our next generation won't see it anymore

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <gwendolinech@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 1:54 AM
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Name:	gwen chausse
E-mail:	gwendolinech@gmail.com
Island or City	LOS ANGELES
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Those are inhuman treatments.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <gwendolinech@gmail.com>
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Name:	gwen chausse
E-mail:	gwendolinech@gmail.com
Island or City	LOS ANGELES
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This is inhuman to leave any living beings dying that way. I am strongly against those methods. Leave animals in the wild.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Chrisdietrich366@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 09, 2015 1:43 AM
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Name:	Chris Dietrich
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <nanneke_boers@hotmail.com>
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Island or City	los llanos de aridane
State	Spain
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <nanneke_boers@hotmail.com>
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State	Spain
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From: Testimony Submittal <seanwrenn01@gmail.com>
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Name:	Sean wrenn
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State	kerry
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <a.benoski@gmail.com>
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Name:	Alyssia benoski
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Island or City	honolulu
State	hi
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From: Testimony Submittal <a.benoski@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <Leca.ghjuvanna@gmail.com>
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Name:	Ghjuvanna leca
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Island or City	geneva
State	switzerland
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From: Testimony Submittal <leca.ghjuvanna@gmail.com>
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Name:	Ghjuvanna Leca
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From: Testimony Submittal <mattybland82@gmail.com>
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Name:	Matt bland
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State	queensland
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From: Testimony Submittal <fionawright0041@googlemail.com>
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State	uk
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From: Testimony Submittal <hertzinc@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 11:45 PM
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Name:	maria hertz
E-mail:	hertzinc@hotmail.com
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State	hi
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Name:	Maria Hertz
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Island or City	po box 9 Honaunau, Big Island
State	Hi
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Name:	Maria Hertz
E-mail:	hertzinc@hotmail.com
Island or City	po box 9 Honaunau, Big Island
State	Hi
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Name:	Thornton Hertz
E-mail:	hertzinc7@yahoo.com
Island or City	po box 9 Honaunau, Big Island
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <hertzinc7@Yahoo.com>
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E-mail:	hertzinc7@Yahoo.com
Island or City	po box 9 Honaunau, Big Island
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <jasminebadr77@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 11:01 PM
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Name:	jasmine badr
E-mail:	jasminebadr77@gmail.com
Island or City	marseille
State	france
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Respectons la vie de l'océan... Best J. Badr

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From: Testimony Submittal <jasminebadr77@gmail.com>
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Name:	jasmine badr
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Island or City	marseille
State	france
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From: Testimony Submittal <miagates24@gmail.com>
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State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Pegfreeski@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 10:19 PM
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Name:	Peg Alm
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Island or City	Kihei
State	Hawaii
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From: Testimony Submittal <Pegfreeski@yahoo.com>
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E-mail:	Pegfreeski@yahoo.com
Island or City	Kihei
State	Hi
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From: Testimony Submittal <Amandabrightbill@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Amanda Brightbill
E-mail:	Amandabrightbill@hotmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <amandabrightbill@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 10:12 PM
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Name:	Amanda Brightbill
E-mail:	amandabrightbill@hotmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This shouldn't be a hard decision. It's our job to do what we can to leave the planet in a good state for generations to come. I would rather my children and grandchildren see fish on the reef not from a tank!

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From: Testimony Submittal <golsfiremistress@netscape.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 10:11 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Milinda Girard
E-mail:	golsfiremistress@netscape.net
Island or City	Kihei
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have noticed a significant decline in the fish life on our reefs. I spend a great deal of time snorkelling and diving around Maui and am disturbed at the lack of fish, etc. on the reefs and am concerned for the long term health of the reefs and the fish stock for the people. Many fisherman are getting upset at the difficulty they are having in supplying their families. If the food chain is disrupted by excessive taking of the prey fish than the predators are starving and then there are no fish for the fisheries. And no fish for tourism, so important to our island state. It must be protected for our future. Thank you. --Milinda Girard

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Name:	Milinda Girard
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Island or City	Kihei
State	Hi
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From: Testimony Submittal <rachel_cox92@live.co.uk>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 10:08 PM
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Name:	Rachel cox
E-mail:	rachel_cox92@live.co.uk
Island or City	penryn
State	Cornwall
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <rachel_cox92@live.co.uk>
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Island or City	Penryn
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From: Testimony Submittal <will@kingmaui.com>
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Name:	William King
E-mail:	will@kingmaui.com
Island or City	Kula
State	Hawai'i
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <amori@chaminade.edu>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 9:59 PM
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Name:	Val Mori
E-mail:	amori@chaminade.edu
Island or City	571 Hao St.
State	Honolulu
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a volunteer at the Waikiki Aquarium I frequently hear repeat visitors to the islands commenting how they see fewer and fewer fishes on the reef. Clearly the islands cannot support this harmful industry.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <laura.clare@hotmail.co.uk>
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Name:	Laura Thornley
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Island or City	11 Woodmans Chase
State	East Goscote
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Name:	Laura Thornley
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From: Testimony Submittal <Susanacd@gmail.com>
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State	Lisbon
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From: Testimony Submittal <Cupcakes5@msn.com>
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Name:	Elizabeth McFarland
E-mail:	ulualiza@gmail.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I collected fish for aquariums in the past and came to realize how destructive this practice is. Many of these fish are unable to adapt to aquariums and die slow deaths. Please save our reef fish! Mahalo, Elizabeth McFarland

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E-mail:	Mauime@hawaiiantel.net
Island or City	Kihei
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have observed a truly alarming decline in the number of reef fish over the last ten years. It is now hard to find fish at many places that were formerly teaming with fish of all sizes. It is hardly worth going to the beach. The mass collection of fish for the aquarium trade endangers both our visitor industry and the entire ecosystem of the ocean around our islands. Please take strong action to end this industry that adds little to our economy while it is killing our reefs. Robert Offermann Kihei, Maui

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E-mail:	claudja.biagi@gmail.com
Island or City	lanzarote
State	spain
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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E-mail:	claudja.biagi@gmail.com
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Island or City	heiloo
State	nl
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <bigislandbabs@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 9:24 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Barbara Riley
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Island or City	kailua Kona
State	Hawaii
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <elzenga@telfortglasvezel.nl>
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Name:	ken elzenga
E-mail:	elzenga@telfortglasvezel.nl
Island or City	heiloo
State	nl
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <jamie@hawaiicre.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 9:21 PM
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Name:	James Brown
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Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <jamie@hawaiicre.com>
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Name:	James brown
E-mail:	jamie@hawaiicre.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <dot.maitai@gmail.com>
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Name:	Mai Fujii
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State	Hawaii
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <zhealthaustin@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 9:17 PM
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Name:	Kelly Prince
E-mail:	zhealthaustin@yahoo.com
Island or City	maui
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <fwbtravel@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 9:01 PM
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Name:	faye bartlett
E-mail:	fwbtravel@gmail.com
Island or City	71-1798 puunapoo drive
State	hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <slwsurfing@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:59 PM
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Name:	sharon willeford
E-mail:	slwsurfing@gmail.com
Island or City	Kailua-Kona
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have watched the over gathering on our reefs for 30 years! Many fish die before the are even shipped. My son is a free diver and very concerned for the reef!! We support this bill. Mahalo

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Dandaman_0123@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:53 PM
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Name:	Daniel Fujii
E-mail:	Dandaman_0123@yahoo.com
Island or City	Big Island
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Just look at the reefs of today compared to that of a decade, or even 5 years ago and that should be evidence enough. The exploitation of Hawaii and it's resources for 'America' needs to stop. The beauty of our islands comes from all these things we take as if there will be no consequence. "When the Last Tree Is Cut Down, the Last Fish Eaten, and the Last Stream Poisoned, You Will Realize That You Cannot Eat Money." aloha

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <radalohamaui@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:52 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Robert Detrick
E-mail:	radalohamaui@gmail.com
Island or City	Kihei
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have seen firsthand taking of aquarium fish from a Reserve! The before, which I had experience the day before, and after, the day after, would make you sick. Even a year after is still horrible. Please, stop this practice which benefits those who don't even respect a Reserve and ruins the experience of tourists and locals alike. How many times have I heard tourists say the colorful fish population is down from prior trips to Hawaii reefs, perhaps hinting they aren't coming back.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <rebeccatolmon@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:48 PM
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Name:	Rebecca Tolmon
E-mail:	rebeccatolmon@yahoo.com
Island or City	West Lynne
State	Emsworth, UK
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Living creatures should not be stolen to satisfy the greed of humans.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <clangenbein@web.de>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:48 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Christian Langenbein
E-mail:	clangenbein@web.de
Island or City	Stuttgart
State	germany
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <thumbellinasing@gmail.com>
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Name:	Sarah PAL
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Island or City	melbourne
State	vic
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Estelleg8@bigpond.com>
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To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Estelle gilmore
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Island or City	23 Hordern's lane bundeena
State	Nsw
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It's time to let all marine lunch&another f stay free to roam their natural habitats

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From: Testimony Submittal <estelleg8@bigpond.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:34 PM
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E-mail:	estelleg8@bigpond.com
Island or City	23 Horderns lane bundeena
State	NSW
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Time to let the creatures roam freely in their natural habitat

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <hulaglide@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Robyn Kneubuhl
E-mail:	hulaglide@hotmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Mrsalexhearn@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:28 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Alex Hearn
E-mail:	Mrsalexhearn@gmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <njflower123@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:14 PM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

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Name:	Nancy Flower
E-mail:	njflower123@gmail.com
Island or City	Pukalani
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Bastet_Goddess@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:10 PM
To: omhtestimony
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E-mail:	Bastet_Goddess@yahoo.com
Island or City	4241 Baldwin Ave
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please stop wasting life.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Bastet_Goddess@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:09 PM
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Name:	Raquel Esparza
E-mail:	Bastet_Goddess@yahoo.com
Island or City	4241 Baldwin Ave
State	CA
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From: Testimony Submittal <tngodncr@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:06 PM
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Name:	Russell Eng
E-mail:	tngodncr@hotmail.com
Island or City	San Francisco
State	California
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Mrsalexhearn@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:27 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Alex Hearn
E-mail:	Mrsalexhearn@gmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Inke_h@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:20 PM
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Name:	Inke Hoffmann
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Island or City	Toenning
State	Germany
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <EdwardBruneau@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:19 PM
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Name:	Edward Bruneau
E-mail:	EdwardBruneau@gmail.com
Island or City	Naalehu
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <hiva@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:00 PM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

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Name:	Patrick Brault
E-mail:	hiva@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <njflower123@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:15 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Nancy Flower
E-mail:	njflower123@gmail.com
Island or City	Pukalani
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <cloneit@earthlink.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:08 PM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

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Name:	steve turner
E-mail:	cloneit@earthlink.net
Island or City	hawaii
State	hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a veteran boat captain in the tourism industry and this ban is long overdue, the aquarium trade industry damages our states ecosystem and the perception that our visitors have of us. The industry only benefits a small number of heartless greedy hunters.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <tngodncr@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:07 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Russell Eng
E-mail:	tngodncr@hotmail.com
Island or City	San Francisco
State	California
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <dechenmaui@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:43 PM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

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Name:	Mary Groode
E-mail:	dechenmaui@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Kihei
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. A few people should not profit by taking reef fish that are an economic driver for the whole state, residents and tourists alike enjoy seeing reef fish. Only ten percent of the fish captured survive. Many don't even make it to their destinations. It has been proven in other parts of the world that reefs can recover if given the chance. BAN taking fish off the reefs of Hawaii for the aquarium trade.. The reefs NEED fish to thrive. We need cleaner wrasse to keep the other fish healthy, but they are taken because of their pretty color. I personally know of someone who took hundreds of yellow tang and they all died because they got too hot in the buckets this greedy fisherman had them in before he could sell them. PLEASE do what is pono for the ocean life of Hawaii Nei. Sincerely, Mary Groode

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <susanlray@hawaiiantel.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:40 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Susan Bradford
E-mail:	susanlray@hawaiiantel.net
Island or City	Kihei, Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The Aquarium trade is ruining our reefs and decimating our fish population...please vote to end this antiquated practice!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <susanlray@hawaiiantel.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:38 PM
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Name:	Susan Bradford
E-mail:	susanlray@hawaiiantel.net
Island or City	Kihei, Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please support the health of our reefs and reef fish!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <jlhuska@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:37 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Jason Huska
E-mail:	jlhuska@gmail.com
Island or City	Wheeling
State	Illinois
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <jlhuska@gmail.com>
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Name:	Jason Huska
E-mail:	jlhuska@gmail.com
Island or City	Wheeling
State	Illinois
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <gary@compassion4animals.org>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:36 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Gary Loewenthal
E-mail:	gary@compassion4animals.org
Island or City	Falls Church
State	VA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is a near-consensus, among scientists who study fish, that fish feel pain, make long-term friends, have sharp memories, and can learn to use tools. The amount of suffering involved in every step of the aquarium trade must be horrendous. It is high time we outlawed animal cruelty for profit or pleasure. Please let these fish swim and live in their natural habitat, undisturbed. That is the responsible, compassionate, and civilized thing to do. Thank you.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <mark.s.weis@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:13 PM
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Name:	Mark Weis
E-mail:	mark.s.weis@gmail.com
Island or City	Mill Valley
State	CA 94941
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I Strongly support BANNING the aquarium trade in Hawaii. One of the main reasons I visit Hawaii is to enjoy its lush sea life. To diminish that in any way would be a travesty.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <oneshadeofred@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:56 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Ruth Anderson
E-mail:	oneshadeofred@gmail.com
Island or City	pearl city
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <mauimagic5711@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:53 PM
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Name:	Ann Evans
E-mail:	mauimagic5711@hotmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Candicel.avina@msn.com>
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Name:	Candice avina
E-mail:	Candicel.avina@msn.com
Island or City	Oahu
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <candicel.avina@msn.com>
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Name:	Candice avina
E-mail:	candicel.avina@msn.com
Island or City	oahu
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <contessa2@mac.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:46 PM
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Name:	Gayle Stephens
E-mail:	contessa2@mac.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our reefs and it's inhabitants are in need of protection from overfishing for food or trade. Let the fish swim freely.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <aeriewaters@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:43 PM
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Name:	aerie waters
E-mail:	aeriewaters@gmail.com
Island or City	maui
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It profits the very few at the expense of all..and of our economies mainstay..tourism. There is no dimension in which it makes any sense to allow these inhumane and unprofitable practices to continue.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <surfartsurf@yahoo.com>
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To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Artemisa rivas
E-mail:	surfartsurf@yahoo.com
Island or City	2657 calle serena
State	ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <tamarind1@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:17 PM
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Name:	Tamarin McCartin
E-mail:	tamarind1@hotmail.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I'm an avid scuba diver and am heartbroken at the woeful state of our reefs and marine life. With protection our reefs could offer world class diving which would far outweigh any economic benefit from the aquarium industry. Ua Mau ke Ea o ka ʻĀina i ka Pono.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <holloway_fam5@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:09 PM
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Island or City	5409 LEE CIR
State	Georgia
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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E-mail:	holloway_fam5@bellsouth.net
Island or City	5409 LEE CIR
State	Georgia
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <nicholas103@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:02 PM
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Name:	Rosemarie Nicholas
E-mail:	nicholas103@verizon.net
Island or City	Tarpon Springs
State	Florida
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Cruel treatment and depletion of the world's wonders is not the right thing to do..

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <ccollomy@msn.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:01 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Cathy Collomy
E-mail:	ccollomy@msn.com
Island or City	South Casco
State	Maine
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please do not destroy the reefs for a few greedy people that desire to hold captive what belongs to all. The ocean takes care of us. We must take care of the ocean. I want my grandchildren's grandchildren to enjoy it in the future as many generations have in the past.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <ccollomy@msn.com>
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Island or City	South Casco
State	Maine
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please do not destroy the reefs for a few greedy people that desire to hold captive what belongs to all. The ocean takes care of us. We must take care of the ocean. I want my grandchildren's grandchildren to enjoy it in the future as many generations have in the past.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <ur_pa_wahine@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 5:54 PM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

Categories: Multiple testifier forms

Name:	Linda Geyer
E-mail:	ur_pa_wahine@yahoo.com
Island or City	4409 Hallet Street
State	MD
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <jdmcm@windstream.net>
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Name:	Jack McMillan
E-mail:	jdmcm@windstream.net
Island or City	Kirtland
State	Ohio
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Let's respect all life. Fish feel and have a right to live their lives on their own terms, not ours.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <ur_pa_wahine@yahoo.com>
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <ajferrie@asu.edu>
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Categories: Multiple testifier forms

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E-mail:	ajferrie@asu.edu
Island or City	Makawao
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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State	Hi
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <wizard@merlincorp.com>
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Categories: Multiple testifier forms

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E-mail:	wizard@merlincorp.com
Island or City	Yuba City
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <wizard@merlincorp.com>
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Island or City	Yuba City
State	CA
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <aplaceintimephotos@Hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 5:42 PM
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Categories: Multiple testifier forms

Name:	Jennifer Rogers
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Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. There has been a noticeable decrease in the number of fish living among our beautiful reefs just in the past few years alone. It simply cannot sustain being depleted for exploitation in the commercial aquarium trade. It's having a negative impact on the eco-system and will eventually have a negative impact on the economy as our reefs die and are no long as attractive to the tourist industry.

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Name:	Derek E
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State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <dereke78@yahoo.com>
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State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Mauistyle5@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Dylan Park
E-mail:	Mauistyle5@hotmail.com
Island or City	Makawao
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <bonzaikity2012@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 5:12 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Categories: Multiple testifier forms

Name:	Melissa Roza
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State	NV
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <bonzaikity2012@gmail.com>
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Name:	Melissa roza
E-mail:	bonzaikity2012@gmail.com
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State	NV
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Tcamelio@comcast.ney>
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Name:	Teri Sullivan
E-mail:	Tcamelio@comcast.ney
Island or City	71 boardman
State	Ma
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is not sustainable! If the oceans die we die- SSCS

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <carrymackenzie@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Carry Berry
E-mail:	carrymackenzie@yahoo.com
Island or City	884 Highpoint circle
State	colorado
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, this is not correct to take the beautiful creatures from their freedom have respect for all life I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <lynn.all@maui.net>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 5:04 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Categories: Multiple testifier forms

Name:	Lynn Allen
E-mail:	lynn.all@maui.net
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I believe that a complete ban of the aquarium trade is the best strategy for our reefs and their wildlife.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Greyson.miles615@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 5:04 PM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

Categories: Multiple testifier forms

Name:	Greyson Miles
E-mail:	Greyson.miles615@gmail.com
Island or City	Kailua kona
State	hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <greyson.miles615@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 5:03 PM
To: omhtestimony
Subject: HB873 in SUPPORT; OMH Committee 2.11.15, 8:30 am

Categories: Multiple testifier forms

Name:	Greyson Miles
E-mail:	greyson.miles615@gmail.com
Island or City	kailua kona
State	hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Eaharp080@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:57 PM
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Name:	Elizabeth Chism
E-mail:	Eaharp080@yahoo.com
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State	IN
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <cathiesp3@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <eaharp080@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Elizabeth Chism
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State	IN
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From: Testimony Submittal <luinkingman@hotmail.com>
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Katiencena@gmail.com>
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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E-mail:	Katiencena@gmail.com
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State	Hawaii
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From: Testimony Submittal <zimzala.z@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:36 PM
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Name:	Nichole Zirzow
E-mail:	zimzala.z@gmail.com
Island or City	Kauai
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:34 PM
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Name:	Jesse Vogel
E-mail:	Jvogel27@hotmail.com
Island or City	Los Angeles
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <1happygyrl@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:28 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Categories: Multiple testifier forms

Name:	Deborah Wallace
E-mail:	1happygyrl@gmail.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We have fewer reef fish each year. The decline I've witnessed during my daily ocean swims is staggering. Aquarists scoop up more than just the fish that they are after, and these other fish die. Our fish are a major attraction in our tourism, and we are slowly loosing this. Thank you

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <ntbo123go@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:27 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Nicole Thibault
E-mail:	ntbo123go@hotmail.com
Island or City	2211 Gertrude, Carignan
State	Québec, Canada
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <bisaki@gmail.com>
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Name:	Bianca Isaki
E-mail:	bisaki@gmail.com
Island or City	1656 Kanalui St.
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawai`i. Commercial aquarium collectors take from the wild for private profit and not for subsistence or cultural purposes. I am a recreational skindiver myself, but my take is limited to a few fish, which I share with my family. Usually, I take toau and taape (invasive species). For instance, at Papa Bay, Big Island on March 18, 2014, two collectors in unmarked boat with no collecting permit numbers on equipment, layed over 300 feet of net and trampled the reef taking 300+ fish. http://atdarock.smugmug.com/Big-Island-Aquarium-collecting/Aquarium-Co llecting-reef-damag/i-FV2Hq69 This cannot continue.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <thatswright1@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:21 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Linda Wright
E-mail:	thatswright1@gmail.com
Island or City	Kihei
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. In my 25 years of witnessing the dwindling numbers of reef fishes in Maui waters we must find a way to enable the fish to make a comeback.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <sanderlingbay@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:17 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Patricia Collins
E-mail:	sanderlingbay@aol.com
Island or City	Mill Valley
State	CA 94941
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please PROTECT these areas of natural beauty and the all important TOURIST commerce. Let them BREED FROM what they already have.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <patricia_massari@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:14 PM
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State	FL
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <shayla@blissfulhat.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:01 PM
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State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <reefbeyondbelief@yahoo.com>
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State	Florida
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <nyprincess631@gmail.com>
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Name:	Olivia Hunt
E-mail:	nyprincess631@gmail.com
Island or City	East Patchogue
State	New York
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I believe that if we continue to take aquatic life into captivity for marine parks, aquariums, even as pets, aquatic life out in the wild, in their natural habitat, would cease to exist. It's our job to protect the wildlife, not destroy it!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <julierabeau@aol.com>
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Island or City	Anchorage
State	Alaska
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From: Testimony Submittal <bwildbase@gmail.com>
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E-mail:	bwildbase@gmail.com
Island or City	Lahaina Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <wendyswords@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Blake Wild
E-mail:	bwildbase@gmail.com
Island or City	Lahaina Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Name:	Melody Rutherford
E-mail:	Melodyusa@gmail.com
Island or City	Waianae
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Melodyusa@gmail.com>
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Name:	Melody Rutherford
E-mail:	Melodyusa@gmail.com
Island or City	Waianae
State	HI
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Name:	Barbara Tomasino
E-mail:	Bt10029@gmail.com
Island or City	NYV
State	Ny
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <dylan.pensado@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 3:26 PM
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Name:	Dylan Taylor
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Island or City	Denver
State	Colorado
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ing2-Mary

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From: Testimony Submittal <farrell.jools@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <anndavis86@hotmail.com>
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Name:	pat goding
E-mail:	roscoe@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	waipahu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I'm an ocean swimmer and can see the depletion of fish on a daily basis.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <faithhill@cox.net>
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Name:	Faith Hill
E-mail:	faithhill@cox.net
Island or City	Oahu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <pottishl001@hawaii.rr.com>
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Name:	Laurie Pottish
E-mail:	pottishl001@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <pottishl001@hawaii.rr.com>
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Name:	Laurie Pottish
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Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <ssvto793@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 3:04 PM
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Name:	Gayle Schoville
E-mail:	ssvto793@aol.com
Island or City	Lake Havasu City
State	Az
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <peggyflute@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 3:01 PM
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Name:	Peggy Schecter
E-mail:	peggyflute@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <felix1@cox.net>
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Name:	Annette Felix
E-mail:	felix1@cox.net
Island or City	Tucson
State	AZ
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a diver that enjoys diving on the Big Island. I want to see this beautiful fish in their native environment, not in an aquarium in Tucson, AZ. Thank You, Annette

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <valeria@avianliberationfront.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 2:57 PM
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Name:	Valeria Morich
E-mail:	valeria@avianliberationfront.com
Island or City	Sydney
State	NSW
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <kierdelaney@hotmail.com>
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Name:	kier delaney
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Island or City	Steamboat
State	CO
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <msmith28@hawaii.edu>
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Name:	Michelle Smith
E-mail:	msmith28@hawaii.edu
Island or City	Hilo
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Not only does the removal of the fish affect tourism but it important to keep them in the environment for a healthy coral reef.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Madisonwahinehooke2@gmail.com>
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Name:	Madison Wahinehookae
E-mail:	Madisonwahinehooke2@gmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <spiloga@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 2:42 PM
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Name:	mary sherman
E-mail:	spiloga@yahoo.com
Island or City	mill valley
State	california
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. SINCERELY support BANNING the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This Bill is long overdue. Please remember that TOURISM is our #1 source of revenue in the State, and without healthy reef systems, tourists will go to Belize or somewhere else they can see beautiful fish, sea turtles, etc.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Mel_franca@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 2:36 PM
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Name:	Melissa França
E-mail:	Mel_franca@icloud.com
Island or City	Ermington
State	Nsw
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Mel_franca@icloud.com>
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Name:	Melissa França
E-mail:	Mel_franca@icloud.com
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <deborah.burns.seattle@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 2:33 PM
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Name:	Deborah Burns
E-mail:	deborah.burns.seattle@gmail.com
Island or City	Seattle
State	WA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please protect Hawaii's reef fish! Reef fish are a beautiful jewel for the people of Hawaii and the tourists who visit, please protect them! The aquarium trade is cruel and wasteful with so many fish dying before they reach aquariums Thank you, Deborah Burns

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <foldedshepherds@yahoo.com>
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Name:	david doyle
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State	montana
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Name:	david doyle
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State	montana
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <dick@picturesofmaui.com>
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Name:	Richard Tilton
E-mail:	dick@picturesofmaui.com
Island or City	Makawao
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Allowing our reefs to be stripped of fish is contrary to the best interests of our unique State. Mahalo, Richard Tilton

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <helen.storey@bigpond.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 2:25 PM
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Name:	Helen Storey
E-mail:	helen.storey@bigpond.com
Island or City	Casuarina
State	NSW
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Unchecked the aquarium industry will destroy fish and marine life and be very detrimental to the tourist industry

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <pisaturotara@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 2:24 PM
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Name:	Tara Pisaturo
E-mail:	pisaturotara@yahoo.com
Island or City	Derby
State	CT
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Steve.partain@gmail.com>
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Name:	Stephen Partain
E-mail:	Steve.partain@gmail.com
Island or City	Costa Mesa
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <tomnatm2@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Natalie Mahoney
E-mail:	tomnatm2@yahoo.com
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From: Testimony Submittal <pisaturotara@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Tara Pisaturo
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Island or City	derby
State	CT
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From: Testimony Submittal <Whitneymallory@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Whitney Williams
E-mail:	Whitneymallory@yahoo.com
Island or City	princeton
State	ky
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From: Testimony Submittal <dflora22@gmail.com>
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Name:	Delores flora
E-mail:	dflora22@gmail.com
Island or City	Sausalito
State	ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <sparksfly1@gmail.com>
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Name:	Donita Sparks
E-mail:	sparksfly1@gmail.com
Island or City	Los Angeles
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, PLEASE SUPPORT!!! I vacation to Hawaii for the snorkeling. PLEASE PROTECT YOUR/OUR AMAZING REEF LIFE. I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Name:	Delores flora
E-mail:	Dflora22@gmail.com
Island or City	sausalito
State	Ca
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ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <lbarcroft@hotmail.co.uk>
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Name:	Laura Barcroft
E-mail:	lbarcroft@hotmail.co.uk
Island or City	Stoke-on-Trent
State	England
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Kristodda@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Krista Beck
E-mail:	Kristodda@yahoo.com
Island or City	Newcastle
State	WA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii for the health of the reef. Watching the decline of certain lynchpin species over the years, knowing they've been sent to certain death in an aquarium, is devastating. It's killing the reef one fish at a time. Please ban the aquarium trade, for the health of everyone.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <lbarcroft@hotmail.co.uk>
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Name:	Laura Barcroft
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Island or City	Stoke-on-Trent
State	England
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Lindawi39@aol.com>
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Name:	Linda Piippo
E-mail:	Lindawi39@aol.com
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State	Wisconsin
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Matthewblanton24@gmail.com>
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Name:	Matt Blanton
E-mail:	Matthewblanton24@gmail.com
Island or City	7424 Kingsmen ave
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <jenschiltz@gmail.com>
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Name:	Jennifer Schiltz
E-mail:	jenschiltz@gmail.com
Island or City	76 Kuli Puu St, Kihei
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We need to preserve the ocean life and ecosystem. If aquatic life is continued to be captured, it will slowly kill off all aquatic life and ruin the ecosystem.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <sasht@live.ie>
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E-mail:	sasht@live.ie
Island or City	dublin
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From: Testimony Submittal <Aliyah0413@hotmAil.com>
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Name:	Aliyah Shaheem
E-mail:	Aliyah0413@hotmAil.com
Island or City	Queensland
State	Australia
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <meglinski@gmail.com>
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Name:	Mary Hanson
E-mail:	meglinski@gmail.com
Island or City	Kihei, Maui
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our reefs are so empty and lifeless without all the beautiful fish. Please leave our fish to flourish on their own. I have really seen a decrease in the population over the years.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <cmogusar@gmail.com>
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Name:	Cassandra Mogusar
E-mail:	cmogusar@gmail.com
Island or City	Salt Lake City
State	Utah
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. There is no reason to capture wild creatures, especially for such a frivolous reason -- the desire of individuals to keep and/or look at captive fish. Besides the individual fish and the consideration of fish populations, the ocean around Hawaii is a rich habitat that should be kept intact. I wholly support this ban, and I imagine that most people who truly prize the fish of Hawaii would as well.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <gracewalking@gmail.com>
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Name:	Leslie Sims
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Island or City	Missoula
State	mt
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E-mail:	gracewalking@gmail.com
Island or City	Missoula
State	mt
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Name:	Phyllis Robinson
E-mail:	Pfierrorob@aol.com
Island or City	Kihei
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Stclairejm@gmail.com>
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Name:	Jill St claire
E-mail:	Stclairejm@gmail.com
Island or City	Zionsville
State	Indiana
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men should do nothing." Please, stop this evil. These creatures need your help, you have the power to do good.

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Name:	Grant Freeman
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Island or City	Fort McMurray
State	Canada
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I SINCERELY support BANNING the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Grant Freeman

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <calypso6504@gmail.com>
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Name:	Jodi Duval
E-mail:	calypso6504@gmail.com
Island or City	Redmond
State	washingtonp
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We shouldn't keep animals in captivity any more than we should keep humans in captivity

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Palmtreesrain@gmail.vom>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 1:27 PM
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Name:	Dawn K
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Island or City	4 Margaret St.
State	Georgia
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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State	California
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Name:	Robert Gibson
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Island or City	Ashland
State	Oregon
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I love the reefs & the fish that inhabit them. And it would send a great message to the rest of the world. Thank you.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Suzannehammer@mac.com>
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Name:	Suzanne Hammer
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Island or City	Kailua
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a daily swimmer and snorkeler in Hawaii , and have done so for the past forty plus years. I have watched the massive decline in aquarium fishes over the years. Wikiki was a lovely place to snorkel until a fishing ban was lifted and the fish population rapidly declined. Waimanalo and Kailua faced even more decimation of fish populations . The area around Kiona Beach park was a treasure trove of reef fish until the 80's when the taking of fish began to significantly increase . The area looks like a ghost area now in comparison to the 70's and 80's. I swim now four days a week in Hanauma bay, around the whole bay, and have seen the decrease in population of reef fish even there due to illegal taking of fish. The entire school of pennant fish present for years near the mouth of the bay is now completely gone. I have heard aquarium takers brag about the numbers of fish they take and sell, so my information is from personally listenening to their stories and methods of extracting fish, which include stunning them with dilute Clorox ,sucking them up in large tubes and depositing them in tanks on their boats,etc. Commercial interests are stripping the marine life from our islands and decimating the reefs. The recruitment we saw last summer has been eliminated by the lack of a healthy reef and the overfishing by many types of fishermen, including the illegal net fishing. If we ban all reef fishing for a while with some sort of moratorium the fish may have a chance to repopulate their numbers. If we don't, I believe ocean life will not be able to keep up with our destruction, and we will lose a source of beauty and sustenance essential for our existence. Please contact me if you need more information. I cannot attend in person to testify Aloha Suzanne Hammer MD

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Island or City	Honolulu
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our precious reefs and wildlife need protection. Mahalo!

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From: Testimony Submittal <david@sharkville.com>
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Name:	David Amack
E-mail:	david@sharkville.com
Island or City	San Diego
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It's bad enough to take what doesn't belong to you, but even worse when this for-profit theft results in devastating environmental harm. And since when is shutting down an "industry" a bad thing when it deals in trafficking, animal or otherwise?

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From: Testimony Submittal <marilynnishi@ymail.com>
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Name:	Marilyn Nishi-Gormely
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Island or City	Waikoloa,
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I was an avid snorkeler for many years, but not so much now, as I have witnessed the lack of colorful tropical fish and reefs that are becoming covered with algae in the West side of the Big Island. Upon inquiring about these empty reefs, I learned that the Aquarium trade has been allowed to take thousands (100,000 yellow tangs/year) of tropical fish from our reefs! - tangs alone have decrased by 70-90% ! I also learned that these Hawaiian tropical fish cannot reproduce in aquariums, & although they live 40 years on a reef, they die in a year in an aquarium and a high percent of them die in transport. . so aquarium takers must constantly take the fish for their source of money without any thought of the fact that this is a huge loss for Hawaii, and Hawaiian reefs. Hawaii loses: 1. Loss of tourism - tourists come to view beautiful reefs and tropical fish - not desirable any longer with no fish to view and reefs covered with algae. 2. Tropical fish eat algae - We need the tropical fish for the health of our reefs. 3. There is no win-win - Hawaii only loses with the aquarium trade - loss of reef fish; reefs, loss of tourism and the irreplaceable beauty of Hawaii. Please ban the aquarium trade on the Hawaiian Islands!

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please keep your reefs for the tourists and your fellow citizens.

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From: Testimony Submittal <om@yours.com>
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Name:	Ganga White
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our reefs are our most value asset and should be protected

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From: Testimony Submittal <char@ojaikw.com>
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Name:	Charleen Michaels
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have visited Hawaii every year for the past 10 years. Much of the reason for my visits is the abundantly rich sea life. I support a permanent ban on the aquarium trade in Hawaii, rather than a temporary moratorium.

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From: Testimony Submittal <sheilahmay@comcast.net>
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State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have been visiting Kona at least once a year for the past 16 years and it has been depressing to see the number and variety of fish get smaller each year. Snorkeling is no longer a joy and I think that's a lot of what people go to Hawaii for.

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From: Testimony Submittal <bkaneshige@outlook.com>
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Island or City	kihei
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. as a business owner I know how important the reef is to hi. and our business which would likely not exist should our reefs be compromised by this harmful activity. owner blue water rafting

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From: Testimony Submittal <KAWIKA90@ME.COM>
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. In addition to destroying the balance on the reef, it destroys the reefs themselves.

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From: Testimony Submittal <milholla@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Jeannette Milholland
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I SINCERELY support BANNING the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This Bill is long overdue. Please remember that TOURISM is our #1 source of revenue in the State, and without healthy reef systems, tourists will go to Belize or somewhere else they can see beautiful fish, sea turtles, etc.

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State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We need to protect these very delicate ecosystems, before they are completely gone! We need your support!

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From: Testimony Submittal <margo.cruse@aol.com>
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E-mail:	margo.cruse@aol.com
Island or City	kihei
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I live on Maui and swim in a reserve because that is where the fish can survive and thrive. Everywhere else seems to be fished out and you see a lot of turtles with fishing hooks and line. I know tourists want to see our beautiful fish and healthy turtles. It is time to manage the reefs for future generations. Aloha, Margo

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Name:	Robert Schmidt
E-mail:	mybizmaui@gmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I believe we should put a moratorium or extremely limit those species that are endangered by these practices. Let's all do what we can to keep our reef environment safe and replenished. Thanks for your contribution toward these ends.

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Name:	Jennifer Rocchi
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Island or City	P.O. Box 2179
State	Kihei HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Until that day comes, please protect Hawaii's reef wildlife from the aquarium trade's harmful treatment. Please remember the massive revenue we get from tourism, and how important the beauty and richness of our reefs are to the tourism trade. Please favor tourism and the vibrant health of our reef systems over the far less important aquarium trade. Mahalo nui.

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Island or City	Bend
State	Oregon
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Name:	Lola Milani
E-mail:	lolacam@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Our reefs are already compromised. Their sustainability not only enriches the beauty of our island chain but contributes to the sustainable environment of our marine systems.

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State	HI
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State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have served as a conservation enforcement officer. I am speaking as a private citizen. My experience is that aquarium fishing is damaging our fragile marine ecosystem. Mahalo, Ken Lesperance Waimanalo, HI

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Island or City	Haiku
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <laurelee@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 10:05 AM
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Name:	Laurelee Blanchard
E-mail:	laurelee@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Haiku
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This Bill is long overdue. Please remember that TOURISM is our #1 source of revenue in the State, and without healthy reef systems, tourists will go to Belize or somewhere else they can see beautiful fish, sea turtles, etc.

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From: Testimony Submittal <colly@hawaii.rr.com>
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Name:	John Norman
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Island or City	Kihei
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I SINCERELY support BANNING the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This Bill is long overdue. Please remember that TOURISM is our #1 source of revenue in the State, and without healthy reef systems, tourists will go to Belize or somewhere else they can see beautiful fish, sea turtles, etc.

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From: Testimony Submittal <m.essner@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Mike Essner
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Island or City	20 Kumula'au Ohia lp Wailuku
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <leaky2@gmail.com>
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From: Testimony Submittal <Birdieboy18@hotmail.com>
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Name:	T C
E-mail:	Birdieboy18@hotmail.com
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State	Hawaii
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From: Testimony Submittal <tempdhs@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Don Schwartz
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State	California
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <rjlmaui@gmail.com>
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Name:	Bob Lloyd
E-mail:	rjlmaui@gmail.com
Island or City	kihei
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <rjlmaui@gmail.com>
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State	hi
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From: Testimony Submittal <collins_family1@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Claire Valera
E-mail:	collins_family1@hotmail.com
Island or City	Waikoloa
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <collins_family1@hotmail.com>
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Name:	Claire Valera
E-mail:	collins_family1@hotmail.com
Island or City	Waikoloa
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have seen the fish literally disappear from the reefs over the years. Any minimal 'economic benefit' to the aquarium trade is minimal compared to the huge amount of dollars tourists bring to our State. Do you really think people will continue to come here as the reefs become more and more barren and overgrown with Algae? Please, support this bill for the good of everyone. Thanks, Claire Valera

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From: Testimony Submittal <mele@keaolani.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 9:06 AM
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Name:	Pamela Polland
E-mail:	mele@keaolani.com
Island or City	Kula, Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I SINCERELY support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This Bill is long overdue. Please remember that TOURISM is our #1 source of revenue in the State, and without healthy reef systems, tourists will go to Belize or somewhere else they can see beautiful fish, sea turtles, etc.

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From: Testimony Submittal <CoachDebGreenfield@gmail.com>
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Name:	Deborah Greenfield
E-mail:	CoachDebGreenfield@gmail.com
Island or City	Santa Rosa
State	California
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Reef fish need to be on their reefs - not mass killed to benefit aquarium suppliers.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <reeflections.maui@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:36 AM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Michael Roberts
E-mail:	reeflections.maui@gmail.com
Island or City	Lahaina
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a small business owner that talks to visitors every day. Many are concerned enough about the disappearing reef fish to talk about finding other locations to dive and snorkel. Usually they mention 3rd world destinations that have better protections for the reef ecosystem than we have here in Hawaii. This is embarrassing. As a professional underwater photographer, I have witnessed the destruction of coral and other illegal activities of many in the aquarium trade. Enforcement of present rules is impossible but an all out ban would be easier to enforce and the only way to protect our valuable resources for future generations. Mahalo for taking up a bill to protect our reefs and tourism industry. Michael

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From: Testimony Submittal <lcneumann700@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:31 AM
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Name:	Lillian Neumann
E-mail:	lcneumann700@hotmail.com
Island or City	Shelby Twp.
State	MI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. These beautiful beings should not be taken away from their homes placed into what to them are jails. Please do not do this.

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From: Testimony Submittal <lauolegal@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 8:18 AM
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Name:	Lorri Crockett
E-mail:	lauolegal@gmail.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We must stop taking from our Oceans. There is a delicate Eco balance and man is destroying it. If the Oceans Die, WE Die. Mahalo, Lorri Crockett

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From: Testimony Submittal <lilweed@esatclear.ie>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:30 AM
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Name:	Pearl Lotus
E-mail:	lilweed@esatclear.ie
Island or City	Dublin
State	Ireland
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <islandket@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:07 AM
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Name:	Karen Tilley
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Island or City	P.o Box 510021, Kealia
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Keep the fish in the ocean, for the sake of reef, and the fish.

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From: Testimony Submittal <islandket@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:03 AM
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Name:	Karen Tilley
E-mail:	islandket@gmail.com
Island or City	P.o Box 510021, Kealia
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please, keep the reef fish where they belong, to preserve the reefs and the fish for future generations.

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From: Testimony Submittal <lou.martarano@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 7:01 AM
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Island or City	New York
State	NY
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <kapulena@gmail.com>
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Name:	Jason Worchel
E-mail:	kapulena@gmail.com
Island or City	PO Box 1373 Honokaa
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am an avid diver and have seen the decline in our wonderful fish population due to harvesting for commercial and private purposes. This is a State treasure and needed for tourism. We need to protect this resource.

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From: Testimony Submittal <karennordine@me.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 6:30 AM
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Name:	Karen Nordine
E-mail:	karennordine@me.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	Hawaii
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From: Testimony Submittal <plgplgreene@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 4:24 AM
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Island or City	Maui
State	Hawaii
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From: Testimony Submittal <coachkathy@gmail.com>
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Name:	Kathryn Williams
E-mail:	coachkathy@gmail.com
Island or City	Kihei
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Tourism is our #1 industry. Tourists come to see the beauty of Hawaii, both on land and in/underwater. We must protect the beauty of Hawaii, on land and sea. Please support this bill. Thank you.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <djjazzyred@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 7:47 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Stephanie Weisman
E-mail:	djjazzyred@gmail.com
Island or City	maui
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please help protect our wildlife. Mahalo

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <djjazzyred@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 7:45 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	Stephanie Weisman
E-mail:	djjazzyred@gmail.com
Island or City	maui
State	hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <smucha123@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 6:46 PM
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Name:	Sarah Mucha
E-mail:	smucha123@gmail.com
Island or City	5734 Kumquat Rd.
State	Florida
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <Anniewalton@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 6:33 PM
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Name:	Annie Walton
E-mail:	Anniewalton@yahoo.com
Island or City	Santa monica
State	Ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Name:	Annie Walton
E-mail:	Anniewalton@yahoo.com
Island or City	Santa Monica
State	Ca
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <barnacleb@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 6:22 PM
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Name:	Bill Crockett
E-mail:	barnacleb@hotmail.com
Island or City	Oahu
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. All of the fish captured are submitted to cruel punishment by being removed and shipped away. Stop the aquarium trade completely in Hawaii and let our beautiful fish stay where they are for the visiting toursits to enjoy, along with our children and grandchildren. Our reefs are suffering from global warming and environmental poisoning, so further stressing our reef life by capture, only to be imprisoned in an aquarium in the Mainland makes no sense. Do the right thing, ban the aquarium trade forever in Hawaii. The collectors can start fishing for things they can eat, not steal and imprison harshly and with no mercy, only greed. Our reef is a resource that needs protection from greedy fish collectors now!! Save our fish! Mahalo!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <barnacleb@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 6:16 PM
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Name:	Chaplain Bill Crockett
E-mail:	barnacleb@gmail.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is a terrible sin to capture a live animal and make it suffer in a small aquarium, often to die quickly and painfully after leaving the beautiful reef where it was "stolen"! If the zoos of the world had the kind of death rates experienced in the aquarium fish thefts going on today, humanity would rise up and stop zoos from operating, and not visit the place ever again! The unwitting aquarium owner/buyer of a beautiful fish taken from our waters, where a tourist with a snorkel should be allowed to enjoy seeing them plentiful in the wild, has no idea of what a sin is being committed by the payment of their capture bounty to the greedy aquarium fish collectors of Hawaii. Please save our fish for our toursits and children and grandchildren to view in our reef environment here, which is suffering already from warming and toxic runoff. Save our reef fish for the future!

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From: Testimony Submittal <melecbennett@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 6:00 PM
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Name:	Mele Bennett
E-mail:	melecbennett@gmail.com
Island or City	Kamuela
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. When I was in college in New Hampshire, I damn near cried when I found a Humuhumunukunukuapuaa in a basement aquarium section of a pet store. It broke my heart to see this beautiful Hawaiian reef fish in such a small, artificial habitat in a grey, gravelly, armpit of a town thousands of miles away from home. Maybe I was just projecting my own homesickness on the fish, but it was extremely depressing. Reef fish belong in the ocean, not in aquariums.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <Gilbert1@me.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 5:52 PM
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Name:	Michael Gilbert
E-mail:	Gilbert1@me.com
Island or City	981 Kupulau dr
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This is worst kind of Rape To steal and sell for profit our Marine shallow reef fishes They are under stress already. Please stop these very few that are taking our future Now It's been going on way too long Aloha Michael Or at least ban it till a proper study can be attained

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <brucelowrey4117@comcast.net>
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Name:	Bruce Lowrey
E-mail:	brucelowrey4117@comcast.net
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <matthew@alohaheights.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 5:08 PM
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Name:	Matthew Gurewitsch
E-mail:	matthew@alohaheights.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Keep our fish at home where they belong! In our beautiful ocean! Respect the aina! Malala pono.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <matthew@alohaheights.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 5:06 PM
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Name:	Matthew Gurewitsch
E-mail:	matthew@alohaheights.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I whole-heartedly support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. It is heart-breaking to see the fish stocks dwindling before our eyes--and it is happening. Take it from someone who snorkels seven days a week, conditions permitting. Mahalo.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <rmmtx3@gmail.com>
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Island or City	35 Hune One Ln #11-204
State	Kihei, HI 96753
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <rmmtx3@gmail.com>
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Name:	Rosanne McDonald
E-mail:	rmmtx3@gmail.com
Island or City	35 Hune One Ln #11-204
State	Kihei, HI 96753
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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From: Testimony Submittal <justwritten76@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 4:58 PM
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Name:	Julie Harris
E-mail:	justwritten76@yahoo.com
Island or City	P.O. Box 1136,Soulsbyville
State	Calif
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please vote with your conscience! This is absurd and needs to stop. There are much more important things in this life than money. Please remember how your ancestors viewed the land, the ocean,and each other.... Sincerely, Julie H.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <jaduff3@hotmail.com>
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Name:	James Duff
E-mail:	jaduff3@hotmail.com
Island or City	22490 Yerba Santa Rd Sonora
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am writing to please ask that you do something now to protect Hawaii reef fishes from the aquarium industry that is now allowed to take away the heritage of Hawaii and sell them off. The Hawaii Native Fish are Priceless. The unique salt water marine fishes of Hawaii deserve more respect than they are getting from aquarium owners around the world. We may not be able to stop reef destruction in other places like Indonesia but we can and should do all we can to protect Hawaii reef dwellers. Only a few people in power and authority are responsible for allowing this business to flourish and grow in Hawaii. The citizen majority population want a ban on collecting aquarium fishes. Hawaii has a rich heritage that is being stripped and shipped out at airports on a daily basis. It is a proven fact that many reef fishes do not reproduce in captivity, therefore every single fish collected from the wild will die without reproducing. Every single aquarium you see has a piece of Hawaii on display. How long can you think this will last? It is not a sustainable business model. You have all been entrusted with the power to protect Hawaii and it's inhabitants so why are we allowing people to come take the aquarium fish they catch? It is very sad to watch, to sit and do nothing while the future is being stripped away one fish tank at a time. I am asking for a complete total ban on all aquarium fish collecting aka wildlife trafficking please. There is absolutely no justification to allow this activity to continue. The reefs need time to recover from decades of abuse. Every singe living organism you see in a salt water marine aquarium will eventually die without benefit to the people of the State of Hawaii. The only people that benefit are aquarium owners that think they can control their little slice of Hawaii in the aquariums. The tourism industry will make billions of dollars from people honoring and enjoying the rich coral reefs and the Hawaii heritage fish found nowhere else on Earth. This is a worldwide issue, Hawaii does not have enough fish to stock all the aquariums of the world. Germany, China, Japan all countries with Hawaiian fish in tanks. USA athletes now have new hobbies and vast bank accounts to spend on fish tanks. This will not help Hawaii at all. Aquariums the world over are being built on the Hawaiian

	Native Fish populations. Please do the math and discover how small the wild inventory is. If you do nothing and do not act they will take away every last fish. What will we say? sorry, that's all folks? I am compelled to ask you for help for the fishes now, today. Please make the future and protect Hawaii native fish. Why do we allow a select few persons to take away native fish when many more people hundreds of thousands wish to come to Hawaii and see the unique fish living on the reefs? On my island snorkeling visits I used to ask myself where are the fish? Now I know where they are, in remote aquariums and landfills as waste. It is so discouraging to witness the disappearance of the reef fish. I can usually find these fish in restaurant aquariums and pet stores all across the United States, but not in their home state of Hawaii. It is obscene and out of balance with nature. Hanauma Bay Preserve is jam packed and filled to overcapacity. Why? because the fish are gone everywhere else. Hawaii has been generous enough, no more, and the aquarium industry knows no restraint, no limits at all. They will say anything to keep taking wildlife for financial gain.They do not care at all about Hawaiian Fauna. If we have any respect for Hawaii fish the choice is clear, we need to start preserving what we have here in Hawaii for future generations. The people taking wildlife and selling it must be stopped and we must protect what is left. The fish collectors are not fishermen they do not eat the fish they just sell them only for money. There is nothing good or noble, it is just pure greed and avarice driving their activities and the active participants of this industry. The wholesale taking of vital wildlife should be a criminal punishable offense against the Sate of Hawaii. I am extremely disappointed in the political climate that allows the aquarium industry wholesale demolition of the reef ecosystem just because it is underwater and out of sight. This wholesale and retail aquarium industry is insatiable and unsustainable. The laws need to be changed now to reflect pride, honor and respect for Hawaii native fish. Please begin the process of enacting laws to show some self respect for the Hawaii heritage you have been given to protect before it is too late. Please vote for a immediate closure and ban on all aquarium fish collecting from all Hawaii reefs. Respect Hawaii life, it is not to be thrown away in aquariums anymore, enough is enough. Mahalo for taking time to read my letter, James Duff

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Please support HB873. The reef is a vital part of our history, culture, and future. We cannot sell it out for the almighty dollar. This is a disgrace that such pilfering of the fish vital to a complex ecosystem can be taken as they have been, most of which DIE soon after leaving the reef. Mahalo Deborah Mader Kiehi

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I oppose cruelty to animals and the destruction of their homes

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a recreational ocean swimmer, snorkeler, and diver, I regularly see once abundant reefs now empty of fish. Our reefs are being stripped to benefit very few extractors in the short term, at the expense of many, including many reef species, some endemic to Hawaii. Once gone, there will be no chance of recovery. Please ban the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Thank You, Joan Lloyd

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State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Is there a way to humanely catch and transport these fish ? It seems that more die than survive the harvest. Let's just be done with this activity.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We have been visiting the Hawaiian for the past 26 years. It has saddened us to see how the fish population has decreased over this time. Knowing that a large percentage of the fish that are captured for aquarium sales never make it alive. The ocean fish should be protected from these mass killings. We are asking you to support this ban. It is up to all of us to protect our environment and the species that belong on this planet. Sincerely, Joanne Baer

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The damage to the reefs and the impact on the people that love swimming with the ever changing underwater rainbow, including tourists, are more important than the few stripping the reefs for personal gain. The fish are short lived in captivity, ensuring the ongoing replacement of these living jewels. Can a farmed trade be encouraged that leaves the reef alone ?

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State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony. I am in STRONG support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Thank you.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have always been against anyone taking reef fish from their natural environment. A few years ago when West Hawaii Today published a photo of several dead Tangs on the jetty at Honokohau boat harbor, I wrote letter to the editor saying all aquarium fish trade should be banned. more recently when a fellow fish lover was attacked by a collector, I wrote to that person saying she should follow through with criminal charges. No one should just take these precious fish from their homes to sell for profit. This is the most dishonorable profession in Hawaii. Please ban all Aquarium fish collecting and selling. I'm sure too many also die during the capture and transportation stage anyway. man kind has to learn to respect nature and allow these creatures to live in peace and harmony among their own kind. Please consider the life of these beautiful precious creatures rather than the pocket books of the collectors. Sincerely, Colleen Miyose-Wallis Kailua, Kona Hawaii resident

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support HB873, banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The reef is not for sale. How many times are we going to allow companies to harm Hawaii for profit. It's a no-brainer. The fish may be small, but it is still a crime. Soon we will have barren reefs. The oceanic ecosystem is a complex system not fully understood. We cannot allow people to pick and choose which members to drive to extinction, it will have a crippling effect on the entire ecosystem. Please support this bill. Time to bring back the reef and protect Hawaii from corporate abuse once again. Mahalo for all you do! Deborah Mader Kihei

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support totally banning the aquarium wildlife trade in Hawaii. I am writing to please ask that you do something now to protect Hawaii reef fishes from the aquarium industry that is now allowed to take away the heritage of Hawaii and sell them off. The unique salt water marine fishes of Hawaii deserve more respect than they are getting from aquarium owners around the world. We may not be able to stop reef destruction in other places but we can and should do all we can to protect Hawaii reef dwellers. Only a few people in power and authority are responsible for allowing this business to flourish and grow in Hawaii. The citizen majority population want a ban on collecting aquarium fishes. Hawaii has a rich heritage that is being stripped on a daily basis. It is a proven fact that many reef fishes do not reproduce in captivity, therefore every single fish collected from the wild will die without reproducing. Every single aquarium you see has a piece of Hawaii on display. How long can you think this will last? It is not a sustainable business model. You have all been entrusted with the power to protect Hawaii and it's inhabitants so why are we allowing people to come take the aquarium fish they catch? It is very sad to watch, to sit and do nothing while the future is being stripped away one fish tank at a time. I am asking for a complete total ban on all aquarium fish collecting aka wildlife trafficking please. There is absolutely no justification to allow this activity to continue. The reefs need time to recover from decades of abuse. Just because people cannot see below the surface does not mean it is okay to take the reef life away. Every singe living organism you see in a salt water marine aquarium will eventually die without benefit to the people of the State of Hawaii. The only people that benefit are aquarium owners that think they can control their little slice of Hawaii in the aquariums. The tourism industry will make billions of dollars from people honoring and enjoying the rich coral reefs and the Hawaii heritage fish found nowhere else on Earth. This is a worldwide issue, Hawaii does not have enough fish to stock all the aquariums of the world. China's new wealth is voraciously consuming reef dwellers to stock aquariums. If you do nothing and do not act they will take away every last fish. What will we say? sorry, that's all folks? I am compelled to ask you

for help for the fishes.

Why do we allow a select few persons to take away native fish when many more people thousands wish to come to Hawaii and see the unique
fish living on the reefs? On my island snorkeling visits I ask myself where are the fish? It is so discouraging to witness the disappearance of the reef fish. I can usually find these fish in restaurant aquariums and stores all across the United States, but not in their home state of Hawaii. It is obscene and out of balance with nature.
Hanauma Bay Preserve is jam packed and filled to overcapacity. Why? because the fish are gone everywhere else. Hawaii has been generous enough and the aquarium industry knows no restraint, no limits at all. They will say anything to keep taking wildlife for financial gain.They do not care at all about Hawaii, just the money profits alone.

If you have any respect for Hawaii fish the choice is clear, we need to start preserving what we have here in Hawaii for future generations. The people taking wildlife and selling it must be stopped and we must protect what is left. The fish collectors are not fishermen they do not eat the fish they just sell them only for money. There is nothing good or noble, it is just pure greed and avarice driving their activities and the active participants of this industry.

The recent worldwide news events at Kona involving the wildlife traffickers assaulting and ripping the SCUBA breathing regulator from Ms. Rene Umberger while she was documenting reef destruction and underwater reef fish collection should never have happened. The man that assaulted her should be charged with crimes. Why is he protected from harming her? This taking of vital wildlife should be a criminal punishable offense against the Sate of Hawaii. I am extremely disappointed in the political climate that allows the aquarium industry carte blanche wholesale demolition of the reef ecosystem just because it is underwater and out of sight.

This wholesale and retail aquarium industry is insatiable and unsustainable. The laws need to be changed now to reflect pride, honor and respect for Hawaii native fish. I think Ms. Umberger should be publicly acclaimed and commended for her role in trying to document reef destruction. Good Hawaii citizens care and take action against injustice being done to their environment.
Can you imagine people catching wild birds and selling them as pets? Why is Hawaii wildlife for sale? The people engaged in wildlife sales are traffickers and are abhorred by civilized people, why are we legally allowing this behavior at Hawaii?It is not too late, we can make it a crime to take Hawaii Reef Wildlife.

Please begin the process of enacting laws that show self respect for the Hawaii heritage we have been given to protect before it is too late. Please consider a immediate closure or ban on all aquarium fish collecting from all Hawaii reefs. Respect Hawaii life, it is not to be thrown away in aquariums anymore, enough is enough. While I write, while you read this, the wildlife traffickers are out gathering up some of the few native fish to sell to aquarium wholesale dealers. All the fish taken will never breed again, all will die in a tank.
Please do the right thing now and protect Hawaii wildlife.
With Sincere Mahalos, James Duff

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State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Coral reefs around the world are in danger of dying with an estimated of 50 percent or more already gone. Hawaii should be doing everything they can to protect its reefs now.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Hawaii still allows unlimited permits sold, unregulated extraction of species, and no follow up with how many are leaving the state. No EIS was ever done to understand the impact on the reefs of taking so many fish off the reefs. Stop aquarium fish collecting! If you won't do that, don't allow finning, fizzing, and starvation. Require 1 gallon per fish for shipping.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. DLNR has never stopped or limited selling permits to collect as many fish as they want, collect all the Hawaii's endemic fish they want and there has never been an EIS done to understand the long term outcome. The longer you let this continue, the worse the problem gets. Do the PONO thing now. Save our reefs.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. as a former resident and frequent visitor , I believe the decline in fish pop. is severe enough with out the aquarium trade adding to the losses Sincerely Carl York

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Name:	Steve Ward
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, Aloha, As a thirty plus year resident of the Kona coast one of the benefits I have enjoyed over the years is time spent in our beautiful ocean. I was first certified for SCUBA in 1983 here with Jeff Leicher, owner of Jack's Diving Locker, and shortly thereafter got my NAUI Advanced card with them. I have been an avid snorkeler here since before I got certified. There is no doubt in my mind that there are significantly fewer exotic fish than there were in the 80's. The aquarium trade has been extremely voracious here, and the results are quite clear. We need to do more to protect this valuable resource from export to aquariums, benefitting a small part of our community, while threatening a much larger economic component. I am, of course, speaking of all the dive shops and snorkel cruises that are dependent on these fish for their businesses. It would be an interesting study to find out more specifically just how large a component of the Big Island economy is devoted to ocean tourism. It is safe to say that it is far, far larger than the aquarium trade. Add to that the number of meals served and hotel rooms used by divers and the number explodes. It is past time to protect that important part of our economy. If the perception, in this networked age, that the reefs have fewer fish, and there are better dive/snorkel destinations elsewhere ever takes hold, the Kona coast economy would take a very large hit. The other side of the coin is that if the word goes out that we're protecting our reefs the way other countries with valuable reef fish are banning the aquarium trade this will show we are proactive and protecting this valuable asset. In summary, I hope you will succeed in getting this bill through and signed. There are many, many people in the community that depend on the reefs and a healthy fish population for their livelihood, and they greatly outnumber those in the aquarium trade. Thanks for this bill; it is way overdue. Mahalo for this opportunity to express my opinion, and for your service to our community.

	With aloha, Steve Ward

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Name:	Shannon Rudolph
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Island or City	P. O. 243, Holualoa, 96725
State	Hi.
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Many of the fish die in transport. Better to have people come HERE to see them! Mahalo!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <shannonkona@gmail.com>
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Name:	Shannon Rudolph
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Island or City	P. O. 243 Holualoa, 96725
State	Hi.
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Even the visitors are complaining, don't let them go somewhere else. Protect Hawai`i, your #1 job. Mahalo!

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <dianecampbellmd@gmail.com>
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Name:	Diane Campbell
E-mail:	dianecampbellmd@gmail.com
Island or City	Kamuela
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Trading the beauty of wildlife for captivity in a water-box (aquarium) and financial profit for the one who captures and sells? All twisted.

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <oceanexplorations@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 07, 2015 12:03 PM
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Name:	Karyn Herrmann
E-mail:	oceanexplorations@yahoo.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I am a marine biologist. This letter is to address the necessary provisions of HB883. I want to inform you of the tremendous stress that is placed upon fragile, tropical fish when they are collected from the ocean and exported from Hawaii by the aquarium trade. The humane conditions for viability are not met by the aquarium industry and there are no standards for the treatment of these most delicate wild creatures. Most fish die during transport, in the pet stores or within a few days in a home aquarium. Their survival is dependent on having a controlled environment during transport including light, salinity, oxygen content, temperature and nutrients from ambient native substrate. The profit seeking aquarium collectors come into an area and take an entire population of marine species, many of which are endangered, put them into plastic baggies and ship them out in total darkness without any regard to their well being. I beg you to consider this issue of cruelty if the criteria of a total aquarium ban is not met in Hawaii. Thank you for considered the well being of one of God's most innocent and vulnerable animals. Karyn Herrmann Marine Biologist

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <oceanexplorations@yahoo.com>
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Name:	Karyn Herrmann
E-mail:	oceanexplorations@yahoo.com
Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have been a resident of Hawaii since 1983. When I moved here, the coral reefs were healthy and the marine life was abundant. I have watched a steady decline of Hawaii's marine life due to over fishing and the aquarium trade. I am a PADI SCUBA instructor, underwater photographer and environmental educator. Please pass the HB873 for the sake of the most valuable & important resource of Hawaii. Karyn Herrmann USCG 100 ton license OW PADI #11109 (1977) Naturalist/Photographer

ing2-Mary

From: Testimony Submittal <maggie.greatdanes@btinternet.com>
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Island or City	42 Wellingborough Road, Mears Ashby, Northampton
State	UK
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

ing2-Mary

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Name:	kjay gaines
E-mail:	kjimel@comcast.net
Island or City	San Mateo
State	CA
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I used to have my own aquarium but everything in there died sooner rather than later. Every species has the right to freedom . . . you, I, and everything else. Please give these creatures the freedom they deserve and the glorious beauty of living in your reefs and beyond. Thank you very much! Kjay

ing2-Mary

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Name:	Maggie Down
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State	UK
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

Vote No to HB873

I fell that should this bill pass a serious blow to free enterprise will be dealt.

John Soboda
jsoboda@gmail.com

Opposition HB873

No to Bans!

Regulations that would put any company or business out of operation are completely uncalled for at a time when

unemployment in our country is so high.

Christopher Matthew Reisen

chrisreisen47@hotmail.com

Please Oppose Hb 873

A total ban is not good for Hawaii economy. How about targeting those who don't respect the reef and the regulations
regarding this type of fishing?
Mahalo.
Aisea Tuikolovatu
bestchoiceinconstruction@msn.com

Opposition HB873

We derive our income in a big way from Hawaiian waters. We want the fish around for generations to come both for me to help people enjoy in their homes and for my son to enjoy on his visit to your beautiful state.

Dirk Johnson
wwdirk@hotmail.com

Oppositon to HB873

Natural Resources are for everyone, when managed, we all benefit.

Bryan Poston
ckrb26@aol.com

Please Oppose Hb 873

I love the fish and the reefs why should the study and pleasure of fishing and fisherys and a aqariums be tooken away in a free country how does the make sense?

Chelsea Howell
chelseaclaire09@yahoo.com

Please Oppose Hb873

Captivity breeding for fish and aquatic animals is the future, due to human destruction of the environment. Unless you mandate a stop to human overbreeding, the natural environment will not survive, thus aquariums and captive breeding is the last resource to maintaining all these beautiful species. We do not need a ban.

Jaime Barrachina
barrachina.jaime@gmail.com

Opposition HB873

I don't feel a ban is in order. I feel that proper husbandry and research into breeding will help keep the numbers stable.

Joshua Adams
ridin5pointohhh@aol.com

opposing hb 873

collecting of fish should not be banned just monitored and controlled, which is it

chase spurlock

chase_spurlock@yahoo.com

Opposition to HB873

Dont ban the aquarium trade. We need the yellow tangs.

Tommy Adams
cornelia5150@gmail.com

No to HB873

I support managed fishing and not a total band

Ralph Ammirati
aquariumnetwork@gmail.com

Please Say No to HB873

This proposed ban would greatly damage many small businesses nation wide.

Lynda Birdwell
saltwatersanctuary@yahoo.com

Opposing HB873

JOBS, NOT BANS!

Mike Proctor
blackfish@cox.net

Oppositon on HB873

I think it quite possible to manage and maintain a sustained fishery . Im a avid sportsman ,both a fisherman , hunter and saltwater aquarium keeper.
Thank You, Mike Lawens

I oppose HB873

i OPPOSE ANY LEGISTRATION RESTRICTING COLLECTION OF MARINE TROPICAL FISH FROM HAWAIN
WATERS. I DO AGREE THAT SUSTAINABLE QUOTAS SHOULD BE INPLACE. WHY IS IT OKAY TO KILL FISH THRU FISHING BUT NOTCOLLECTING THEM FOR AQUARIUM

Patrick Lanzarone
p@thecoralreef.com

Oppositon HB606 and HB873

Please do not ban any form of fishing.

Jane Gronlin
janegronli@yahoo.com

Opposition To HB873

Science is science, and emotions are just that. Let the science manage the fishing management plan!

Robert Felkins
robert@aspxdevelopment.com

Opposition To HB873

I visit and scuba dive in Hawaii fpr two weeks every year. I am a time share owner and pay taxes over $1,200 plus all the sales tax I pay when visiting Hawaii. I am also a Marine Aquarium owner and I do not support the current legislation that would effectively ban the aquarium trade. I believe that the current management of the industry provides superior support of the fish. population

Michael Jones
michaeljjones@yahoo.com

opposition To hb873

proper management and allocation of resources is necessary to maintain proper and healthy ecosystems. Under proper legislation the aquarium industry can continue to flourish. Banning aquarium sales while practices such as drag netting and long lining are still allowed is moronic. not only does this ban inhibit aquarium enthusiast from supporting anAmerican business, it costs people jobs. I must request you do not pass this ban and concentrate on more sensible and pressing matters

jonathan roath
jdroath@hotmail.com

Oppositon HB606 and HB873

Please make your decisions based on statistics and science rather than on personal anecdotes and extremist rhetoric.

Paul Sardis
uclapns@gmail.com

I oppose HB873

How can you make educated decisions without the required education?

Brett Moore
moorebrette@yahoo.com

I oppose HB873

Make legislature based on accurate facts not politics.
Stephen Sefcik
outback14@verizon.net

Opposition To HB873

As a veterinarian I strongly support careful management. The taking of limited quantities of marine animals for the aquarium trade pales in significance compared to food fishing. Controlled harvesting provides income for many people along the chain from harvest to sale. I strongly support well managed harvesting of animals for the trade.

Barry Cooper
barry.cooper@mac.com

Opposition for HB873

Regulations are fine but complete bans hurt the economy and cause people to lose jobs.

Doug Hall
kritterkove2010@hotmail.com

Opposition for HB873

Protecting the environment works best when more parties are involved in success, not less. The fish sold into the
saltwater hobby market create a business model that demands long term planning vs short term deplete and relocate thinking from foreign fish factories.
Protect, yes. Shutdown, no. Be a model for Eco tourism and Eco business.
Andrew Howard
icecap7@me.com

Opposition for HB873

Regulation based on science not hearsay or urban myth. Please check facts and build legistation on them. Thanks!

Rosemary Thomas

thomasrosemary1959@gmail.com

Opposing HB873

science says it all! you just have to listen and it says no bans

chris frey
freyfox@aol.com

Opposition to HB873

Many aquatic species are only in existence now thanks to people who love them in their aquariums, and the ones that go out and fish for them. Do not ban this sustaiable fishery

Sarah Leonard
smile180.sl@gmail.com

Opposition to HB873

I will keep this short and simple, I trust and believe in this petition with all that is in me, I know they cross their ts and dot
their i's when it comes to the care of their fishery and rules and regulations, they are providing a severice, to help ensure the existence of species yes in people's homes, but this give whom ever the chance to expierience somthing beautiful in life and trust me when I say, people like me who purchase these live animals on the Internet do our research and take pride in the animal and great care, and we all show them around and teach others of them, this keeps the hobby and life style going and on my part all the kids in my neighborhood come over all the time just to look and watch them and they ask do many questions it's great they get to learn from me and learn of others animals in our world our oceans, this is my passion, please don't let that dissapere, and keep on the passion these neighborhood kids are growing

Joseph Carr
carrjoe27@gmail.com

Opposition HB873

Please don't shut down the fish trade.

Sincerly,
Michael Blaze
majorondabeatz@gmail.com

Oppositon on HB873

Do not ban!! Do research before signing anything!!

Mike Irving
docstomper@yahoo.com

oppose hb873

please do not ban the fishing in hawaii, my family depends on my business and the ban would have a severe impact on my livelyhood
kevin biele

Opposition to HB873

While maintaing wildlife and reefs are very important, this ban is unreasonable. There are many regulations and controls already in place to prevent over-fishing.

Scott Faulker

Opposition to HB873

The fishery is a well managed and sustainable providing a valuable source of marine fish for public aquaria around the globe to help educate the general public about marine conservation. the Hawaiin aquarium fish has for a long time been held up as an example of a sustainably viable fishery with a global benchmark. It should not be stopped purely on the basis of a phyliosophical oposition by a minority.

Lyle Squire
lyle.jnr@cairnsmarine.com

Opposition to HB873

The amount of fish taken out of the hawaian waters doesn't hurt the population at all, why ban?

jonathan krupski

Oppositon HB873

Please end ridiculous legislation without scientific data to back it up. Come on people, use your heads!

Tina Neal

Opposition to HB873

Sustainable Management-Not Ban of all Aquarium Fishing!

Michael Mathews
exoticaquatics@comcast.net

Oppositon HB873

We need more jobs not less ....regulate but not prohibit!!!

Rosa Morales

I oppose HB873

Before passing any legislation please consider all variables and possible ramifications. The aquarium industry is not responsible for the destruction of coral reefs, other factors are more detrimental. Its illogical to assume that the ornamental aquarium industry can't continue with sustainable conservation methods allowing regulated fishing practices.
Thank you for your time.
Sean Stalter

opposition to hb873

protection is a good idea, but a complete ban would be an overreaction. scientifically based quotas will keep jobs but not destroy ecosystems and can be adjusted as needed. please use common sense on this decision and study the facts and not base your vote on unsubstantiated emotionally charged rhetoric

thomas hayden

Opposition to HB873

This proposed ban goes against all facts and evidence.

Chip Bridges
blueridgereefpet@gmail.com

opposing hb 873

it's important that state waters are managed to the benefit of the ecosystem as well as commerce. if data showed a significant negative impact, i would not be sending this.

josh jones

Opposition for HB873

I am all for being eco friendly and protecting endangered species but a broad ban on all fishing or collecting without getting scientific proof makes no sense.

Ronald Reusch

Oppositon to HB873
Practice resposable reef manament and allow for the fishing to continue.
Robert Taylor

Oppositon to HB873

Please embrace peer reviewed science to adjust our behaviors based on the best data available

Thank You
Randy Olsen

Oppositon to HB873

The scientific data shows that this "threat" is purely emotional and not based on actual facts.
If you truly want to protect the reefs, please make all tourists take a 30 minute snorkeling class and pass a written test before renting snorkeling gear. When we were in Maui in April 2010, I was appalled at the way most tourists were treating your most precious resource. It is quite obvious that ignorant tourists do far, far more damage than responsible fishing.

Jason Kreiger
jason@creager.com

Oppositon to HB873

I'm in full support of the using fisheries, aquaculture and mariculture corals before removing life from the reefs but this bill is targeting them also. I feel that if this passes in one of the most controlled collection areas in the world a domino effect may take place and that would devistate the aquarium trade.

Brandon Cabral
rasta_mon_420@yahoo.com

Oppositon to HB873

I believe this should not pass. I believe the regulations and protections are in place to insure the safety of the ECO system.

Sincerly

Rodney Gilbert

Oppositon on HB873

Manage it, dont' ban it. Believe in the Science.

Michael Hensel
mjhensel@aol.com

I oppose HB873

Please rely on science over popular opinion on this matter, as an avid diver comming to hawaii annually,(spending thousands of dollars) the bigger problem is damage to the reefs by the noneducated users of the near shore fisheries, I see people standing on living reefs every year killing coral.

Jason Jacobs

jmj6239@yahoo.com

Opposition for HB873

As a Ph.D. candidate at UH Manoa who works on coral reefs, I care deeply and passionately about protecting them. If the facts were with the people that seek to ban fishing for the aquarium trade, I would be with them. However, the facts are against them. The best way to protect our reefs and reef fish is through effective science-based managment. Banning aquarium fishing hurts people in our state and in others and will not provide the benefits that opponents of aquarium fishing imagine.

Christopher Jury

Opposition for HB873
Please make decisions based on the science not emotion.
Eathan Baring
Charles Baring
ethan.baring@charter.net
stephen.baring@charter.net

I oppose HB873
Aquarium fishing in HI is already higly regulated and ensures new fish every year, therefore it is not in danger
Herman Rikkers
nanrikkers@hotmail.com

Opposition for HB873

The trade provides income to many and education makes the public aware of the beauty of marine life,providing a massive income in the economy.So much is destroyed by envoirnmental disasters,man made,that a ban is a total hypocrisy,awareness will encourage safe guarding and finance in managing the reefs and fish that thrive on them.

David Craskey
craskedavid@gmail.com

Opposition for HB873

Making public policy and wildlife management based on opinions of a vocal few, and without adequite data is always a bad idea. This proposed ban will also hurt small business people, send US jobs overseas, and increase the negative impact on third world nations without restricitions or sustainable harvesting plans. In the end this will harm and entire industry and result in increased costs and poorer quality for the consumer, and increased mortality rates for the wildlife.

Mark Simon

Opposing Hb873

For Sustainably Marine Ornamental Fish, Not a Ban

Idrees Mariners
idris@terangi.or.id

Opposing HB873

A sustainable fishery is achievable, and Hawaii has it.

Carl Grooms
resiroof@verizon.net

Opposition to HB873

This bill would put hundreds of people out of work, not to mention devastation the Marine Fish hobby! The collectors are responsible and are not doing damage to the reef .

Scott Wilson
scottwilson@unclebills.com

Opposition to HB873

This can be done responsibly. A ban is not necessary. Enforcing a ban will take as much effort as enforcing select and responsible harvesting.

Jeffrey Hoy

Oppositon on HB873

There is to much government reglations now and to take the lively hood from hard working families is rediculus!

Dennis Foglesong
the-pier@live.com

Oppose HB873

Science does not back up the claims made. Why would politicians want to put so many people out of work? No Banning

William` Howell
cmacmike@yahoo.com

Opposed to HB873

Fishing should not be ban in Hawaii becausethe aquarium trade has been recently under siege by anti-trade activists calling for a total fishing ban in Hawaiian waters. While everyone recognizes the importance of fish to their reef ecosystems, science tells us such bans are unnecessary for a thriving fish population.And the peoplesupport fishery management to ensure the fish and reefs will be around for generations to come.

Jalil Booker

jalil07@verizon.net

Opposed to HB873

There should not be a complete ban!

Dustin Bax
dustinb2331@gmail.com

Oppose HB873

Fishery Management and aquaculture can be self-policing. Great steps have been taken in shipping and husbandry of aquarium inhabitants. Carpet Banning does not promote sustainability of natural resources nor solve underlying problems. Hyperbole on both sides needs to be avoided.

Nate Dannenberg
natedannenberg@hotmail.com

Opposition to Hb 873

There is sound science for collection of fish species.

Cark Cooker
carlitofish@yahoo.com

no to hb 873

i think that fishing the reef is a good thing because in this economy every bit helps and because of hawaiian economy count's on tourist's and no one is going on vacation this is a good way for them to make money butt i do think that there needs to be laws and seasons and size limits for each species of fish that is taken from the reef to protect the reef and to give a little peace of hawaiia for the person that otherwise would never be able to enjoy its true wonder in real life

stephen crawford
s.crawford1@yahoo.com

Please oppose HB873

I do not believe in fish bans

Scott Tallkington
talkington2009@live.com

Opposition to Hb 873

I would really love to know how in this country of ours that the minority always seems to beat out the majority. Records show that fish collecting in a responsible manor are in no way destroying the reef or eco system. In a time when so many people are out of work that you would consider such a ban is unthinkable. You would not only be closeing your waters for collection this would be causing a ripple affect of biblical magnitude! I beg you to rethink this. I understand the magnitude of this. Do You?

Roger Brant
brantana@aol.com

Opposition to HB873

To Whom it may concern,
The is a completely invalid ban, find something better to do than pick on a sustainable fishery.

Respectfully
John Brownell Jr

toxophilite80@gmail.com

Opposition to HB873

I think aquariums are a great way to show people how beautiful and special fish are. And will inspire people to want to protect them. Please vote NO to HB873

Sincerly,
John Bottari
woodspinner100@gmail.com

Opposition to HB873

fish keep does nothing but help us understand more and more. Dont ban it.

jose dominguez

Oppose HB 873

We oppose the bill hb 873. Our industry does an exceptional job in the care and transport of these animals. As well we are always trying to better these practices. Shutting down a whole industry for the betterment of another would be a travisty. As a tourist of Hawaii, I spend alot of time in the water and there are alot of fish.

Bill Trufant
#251-661-3474

Oppose to HB873

I have kept aquarium fish for a decade; it is a passion I will never lose. I have kept many Hawaiian fish responsibly. The claims made by snorkel bob are false. Please do some proper research and come to the correct conclusion:not to ban the collection

CJ Chao
cjchao8@gmail.com

opposition for hb 873
I think fishing and the study of fish is great. Do not ban this fishery.

Ryan McDonald
rmac0089@yahoo.com

Oppose Hb873
We want science proof the fishery should be banned, not some emotional argument about keeping fish for pets.

Steve Delgado
steve.d.delgado@aexp.com

Oppose HB 873

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Coral Connection
#504-467-4566

Oppose HB873

I believe responsible use of our natural resources can be a win/win for our environment and wildlife as well as preserving jobs. Especially now with our economy suffering
Please vote No to Hb873

Tom Hayden
addocdreef@yahoo.com

Oppose HB873

I, Zach Lin, a tourist of Hawaii oppose Hb873. There is no need to ban a sustainable fishery.

Sincerly
Zach Lin
callmejason@hotmail.com

opposition hb873

most people are responsable with there fish, no need to ban

stephen wood
draxlith@yahoo.com

Oppose Hb873

I love to fish and i have fish tanks at my home to show my kids and teach them about nature, IS THIS WRONG?
Dont ban this fishery.
Robert Mckey
rdtmack@yahoo.com

Please oppose Hb 873

There is nothing wrong with sustainable use of natural resources. Humans have been using natural resources for all of our existence. Just because one group disagrees with its use should not dictate what another group does. They can choose not to buy Hawaiian marine fish if they oppose their collection. There is no need to put honest, hard working Hawaiians out of work because some disagree with what they do.

Greg Foley
tm48462@yahoo.com

Opposition to HB873

The education of our future in the water relies on what we learn in the home aquarium, zoo aquarium, and classrooms. If we cannot collect fish we cannot properly observe and examine them for learning purposes, and most of all the enjoyment.

Alexander Herrera
k2master@bellsouth.net

Oppose Hb873

873-There are so many things wrong with this bill and it seems that this bill is largly based on emotional response to personal feelings regarding the keeping of animals in aquariums. Not actual data. The independent data shows that the fisheries can be sustainable, to the contratrary of the statistics provided within. I live in a state which also relies heavily on tourism. One of the largest tourism draws is hunting large game. We have managed wildlife populations for decades sustainably harvesting animals through strict licensing and enforcement. Those whose livihoods depend on the populations of the resource are the most engaged in protecting that resource. Colorado is a working example that harvesting and sustainability are attainable.

Amber Moran
ambermoran2@gmail.com

Opposition to HB873

Hawaii is truely a great place. With the backing of "River Monsters", how could this possibly be shut down or anything even close to a bad thing? I love fish, and I know they do too.

Respectfully
Nicholas Roedell
nroedell@comcast.net

oppose hb873

this would be n I thought we want to improve the economy not harm it nits better to buy fish then have to catch people catching the fish n harm the ecosystem

sandy santiago
ricanboi5150@yahoo.com

Opposition to HB873

I myself am tired of the people of our country ignorantly trying to ban all hunting and fishing rights when millions of
dollars is spent to manage wildlife i wish they would research things before they display there unintelligent side.

Ronald Warren
ronwarren08@gmail.com

oppose hb873

The trade leads to education and conservation of these animals,this will not help or solve anything.Find a solution instead of a dumb blame game which will cost pepole jobs and hurt the economy, Instead mae sure pepole put back into the oceans with time and money and community service

Shaun Donahue
shaundon84@hotmail.com

Opposition to HB873

As a property owner in Hawaiian Acres, Kurtistown, and a future resident of said place and a registered voter I am totally against the fishing ban. Hawaii is all about fishing, chase away the foriegn boats who rape our seas, extend the limit to 200 miles.

Ronald Michalik
romn45@sbcglobal.net

Opposition to HB873

The aquarium hobby needs to keeps alive for educational purposes. Do not ban the trade in Hawaii.

Adrian Duran

perlorarm@aol.com

Oppose HB873

Why let the facts get in your way, like the anti hunter or anti fisherman

Thomas Daly
tcat61967@yahoo.com

Oppose Hb873

Please do not ban fishing in anyform.

anthony akins
the_akins15946@comcast.net

Oppose HB873

I oppose HB873.

Lee J. Hoover
resident of CO and tourist of Hawaii

Opposition to HB873

Regulating and taxing this industry will do more to support the wildlife than an outright ban because it will create more wildlife defenders whose economic well being depends on healthy reefs. Bans are naive and ultimately counterproductive.

Neal Langan
neallangan@verizon.net

Oppose Hb873

Dont ban fisheries in Hawaii

RICARDO BELLO
ricardobello1977@yahoo.com

Oppose HB873

I do not support HB873. Please do not pass this.

Brian Coble
Kailua Kona
br14nwisboy@yahoo.com

Opposition to HB 873

Reasonable regulation is necessary, but a complete ban is way overkill.

Charles George
charlesgeorge1@me.com

Opposition to HB 873

Please do not pass HB873.

Sincerly,
Linda Jablonski
ljablonski@hawaii.rr.com>

Opposition to HB873

To Whom It May Concern,

As a tourist of Hawaii and a supporter of sustainable fishing I am in opposition to - HB 873. The science does not back up the proponents claims. If you do not agree with the science, then why even bother having it carried out?

Respectfully,

Cy Forell
cyforell@hotmail.com

Opposition to HB873

To Whom It May Concern,

It is critical that elected officials and regulators know the aquarium industry has made great strides in recent years.
Our organization, Aquarius Aquarium Institute, has created educational programs that continue to advance long-term
success of human care of Hawaiian coral reef fishes in aquaria.
Banning their responsible collection will not benefit natural populations nor increase species diversity in Hawaiian waters. Bans will only serve to slow the demonstrable progress of aquarium husbandry in this century and weaken
citizen passion for conserving coral reef habitats by not sharing Hawaii's bounty with the world.

Sincerly,
Tom Lang

Oppose HB873

A well managed sustainable fishery such as now in place in Hawaii is both an acceptable use of resources and
important to the economy not just of Hawaii but of the US. The take by cmmercial ornamental fisherman is of minimal impact when properly amnaged.

Richard Strieber

kofi@stic.net

Opposition to HB873

In my opinion, the aquarium trade is mostly run by honest business owners selling to hobbyists to enlighten and show their appreciation of aquatic life. I also know if several implementations of the hobby keeping endangered species alive that are threatened in nature. No to bans.

Kelly Fitzgerald
kpfitzgerald@gmail.com

Vote No on HB873

Let's not stop anymore people from being able to make a living in this country. PEOPLE NEED JOBS!

William Jackson
wwjackson2@yahoo.com

Oppose HB873

I love my aquarium. Any person who is into aquariums big, usually takes good care of them very well. To ban aquarium fishing would just make it that much harder to enjoy their beauty . Not only are aquariums educational but they are a magnificent hobby that many people take pride in.

Brent Thompson
brent1717@hotmail.com

Opposing HB873

I vote NO on the ban any form of fishing within State waters

Josh Randall

jran029@aol.com

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Signed: _____ Occupation: CUSTOMER SVC AGENT

Print Name: ELMO SAVELLA

Date: 2/9/15 96738

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Corp Agent

Print Name: Kristian Lyman

Date: 2.9.15

Zip Code: 96720

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Print Name: PETER K. YASUDA

Date: 2-9-2015

Zip Code: 96740

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Print Name: Brad Bollinger

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Print Name: Patrick Aue

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Fisherman

Print Name: Neil Dart

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Signed: SBB **Occupation:** Chef

Print Name: Stephen F Bauman

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Signed: TBullock **Occupation:** Homemaker

Print Name: Tarah Bullock

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Signed: Janet Dart Occupation: homemaker

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Print Name: ALEXIS A LAWSON

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Signed: Charlotte L. Wertz **Occupation:** C.N.A @ Hospice of Kona

Print Name: Charlotte L. Wertz

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Signed: CJ Kohko **Occupation:** Kona Community

Print Name: CJ Kuhiomo

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Print Name: DAVID ELBOGEN

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Photographer

Print Name: David Krystal

Date: 12/08/15 Zip Code 96740

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Print Name: WALTER ANDREAE

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Signed: Akemi Krystal **Occupation:** Barista

Print Name: Akemi Krystal

Date: 2/7/2015

Zip Code: 96740

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Signed: [signature] Occupation: [redacted] & COFFEE FARMER

Print Name: ERIK GUNTHER

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Print Name: Kyle Dixon

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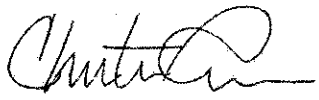
Signed: 

Print Name: Christine D. Paul, Retired

Date: February , 2015

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Print Name: VIRGIE L. EAMES

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Cargo Agency

Print Name: LEAGUE D.K. P(

Date: FEB 7 2015

Zip Code: 96766

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Print Name: Donna S. Cor-Ley

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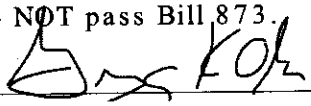
Signed:  Occupation: software engineer

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Print Name:_____Nan Dudley_____

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Print Name: Steven Wilkerson

Date: 2-9-15

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Secretaresse

Print Name: E. den Otte/ANDRI

Date: 09/02/2015

Zip Code: 3435 AB

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Print Name: Louella de Jong

Date: 09-02-2015

Zip Code: 423 CX

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Print Name: Keri Duncan

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Print Name: Alexandra Ball

Date: 2/10/2015

Zip Code: 92128

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Signature: Jonathan S. Powell

Name (printed): Jonathan Powell

Date: 2-8-15

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Paula Kennedy
Date:
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Name (printed):
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Date:
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Signature: [signature]

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Date: 02-02-15
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Print Name: Nicholas Ball

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Print Name: MARIANNA HAYES

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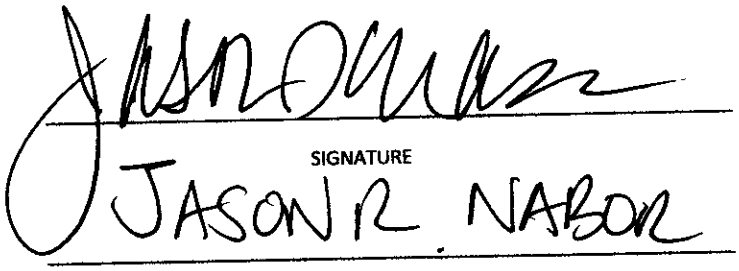

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Print Name: ROBERT WHITMYER

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Signed: Jonathan Kiger **Occupation:** REALTOR

Print Name: JONATHAN KIGER

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Signed: Donna Whitmyer **Occupation:** Realtor

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Print Name: Steven Fassbender

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TESTIMONY FOR HB 873 – OPPOSE

Given that HB 873 is predicated on false statements proves it is unnecessary.

It claims that legislation is needed because "The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii". In reality, there is no harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry in Hawaii and there is no evidence that the United States Coral Reef Task Force ever made any such statement.

There is no truthfulness to any of the claims made for the premise of this bill.

I urge this committee to dismiss this bill.

Signed: _____ Occupation: CORPORATE OFFICER

Print Name: LUCIANO PERINO

Date: 2.9.15

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Signature: _____ Print Name: JUDITH PEREIRA

2/9/15 96740 INTERIOR DESIGNER

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February 9, 2015

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Do not pass this bill.

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Signed: [signature] Occupation: Program coordinator
Print Name: Dareth Rotalho
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Occupation: YARD SUPERVISOR

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Print Name: Garrick Lum

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Print Name: GERALD OTA

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Please support local small business and don't ban an industry because of a small but vocal minority. ALL of your constituents deserve representation.

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Signed: Wnanant **Occupation:** Clerk

Print Name: Warren Nakamoto

Date: 2-9-15

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Signed: _____ Occupation: Packer

Print Name: Jordn Trevena

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donna cottrell

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Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs (OMH)

Dear Chair Ing and Committee Members,

Coral reefs exhibit a high degree of environmental complexity and they are equally influenced by various human activities; thus, they are among the most difficult natural resources to manage. The inability to differentiate natural environmental fluctuations from the effects of human activities like fishing leads to disagreement and controversy.

One of the latest products of such controversy is House Bill 873, which makes it unlawful to sell any aquatic life for aquarium purposes. This hastily-proposed legislation is designed to disenfranchise associated aquarium fishery stakeholders rather than to produce helpful resource management solutions. The following points illustrate why HB873 is an ineffective policy:

1. The Hawaii Division of Land and Natural Resources' (DLNR) Division of Aquatic Resources is currently tasked with managing coastal resources based on the best scientific information available. Scientists and policymakers have created and enforced statewide rules and regulations in addition to creating and monitoring a vast network of Fish Replenishment Areas along the Big Island's leeward coast. **The passing of this bill would abandon decades of painstaking scientific research, resource management initiatives, and overall progress made the DLNR**, without supporting scientific evidence.
2. This bill undermines the most economically significant inshore fishery in the state [valued at $3.2 million in FY2002 (DAR 2002)]. **Outlawing all aquarium fishing means less money in our local economy**.
3. This bill assumes that aquarium fishermen are the primary cause fluctuations in fish populations, which is false. It does not take into consideration the ecological factors that influence fish abundance over time. Scientific evidence supports that aquarium fishing is a highly selective, low impact activity has no significant long-term impact on reef fish populations. Thus, **eliminating aquarium fishing will not lead to a significant increase in coral reef fish abundance**.
4. Rather than an outright ban, **other fishery management tools, such as limited entry or an extension of the current system of fish replenishment areas, may prove far more effective** in addressing overall fishery concerns.
5. **HB873 does not anticipate the probable limitations in enforcement capacity** by the Hawai'i Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement (DOCARE), whose agents are currently taxed with enforcing various other state laws and rules involving historic sites, forest reserves, aquatic life and wildlife areas, coastal zones, conservation districts, and county parks.

6. **An effective solution must consider the bigger picture**, which includes the management of all nearshore human activities— such as destructive gear and by-catch from other nearshore fisheries, alien species, coastal development, tourism, runoff, and other pollution—which are all proven to cause significant changes to the environment.
7. Because the aquarium fishery in Hawaii is the most well monitored and managed aquarium fishery in the world, it currently serves as model to the greater Pacific region where collection of aquarium species is practiced. **If a complete shutdown of our aquarium fishery were to occur, a shift in demand would follow, supporting nations whose policies continue to allow the use of destructive fishing practices.**

I urge all resource users, policymakers, and concerned citizens to voice their opposition to this bill. Thank you.

Cody Chapin
Graduate, University of Hawaii at Hilo
Tropical Conservation Biology & Environmental Science Program

Representative Kaniela Ing, Chair

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Hearing for February 11, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY AGAINST BILL 873

I strongly oppose any effort to further thwart the local economy by banning a proven, viable, and sustainable industry, as the tropical aquarium trade is documented and scientifically proven to be, with over 15 years of data and study since the establishment of the FRAs.

Management efforts have evolved since the establishment of the FRAs, (Fish Replenishment Areas), in 1999, and with the addition of the White List which further restricts collection as to species, size, and numbers, there is no need for such a severe bill as HB 873.

No other commercial fishing group is as closely regulated or has such stringent restrictions as the aquarium trade. The management plan in place is working, is effective, and no further action on the part of legislators is required. Leave this job to DLNR.

This bill should NOT be passed.

Signed: _____ Occupation: President Sunset Marine Labs, LLC

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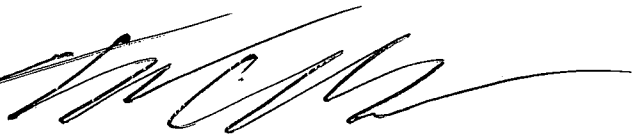
Signature: 

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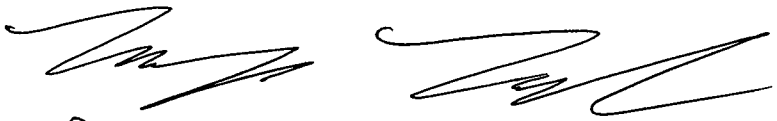
Signature: 

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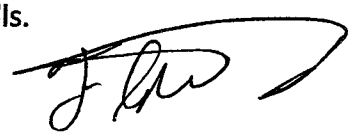
Signature: 

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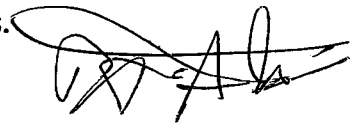
Signature: 

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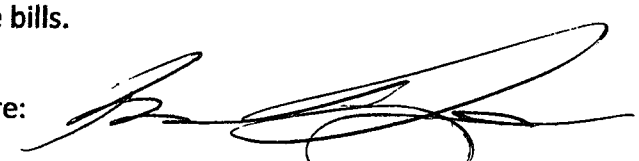
Signature: 

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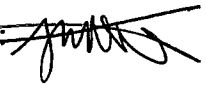
Signature: 

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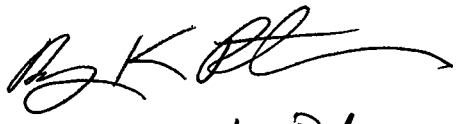
Signature: 

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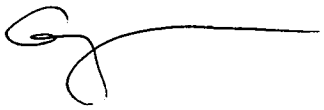
Signature: 

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THANK YOU,

ERIC MOENNICH

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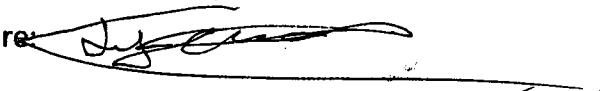
Signature: 

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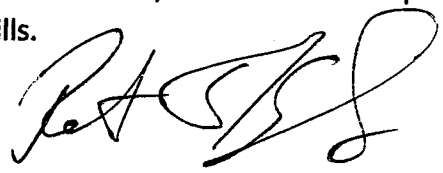
Signature: 

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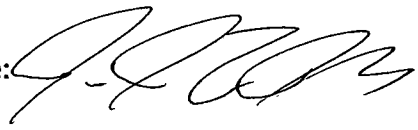
Signature: 

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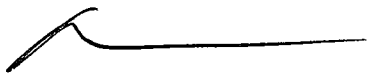
Signature: 

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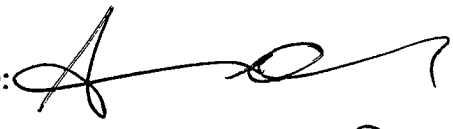
Signature: 

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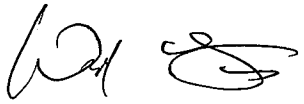
Signature: 

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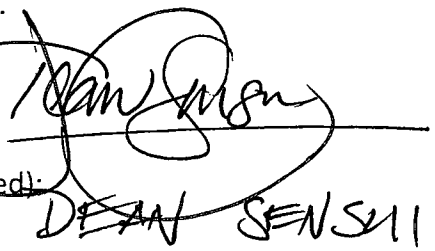
Signature: 

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Committee on Ocean Management and Hawaiian Affairs

Testimony in Opposition to HB 873

Aloha Committee Members,

My name is Randy Fernley. I own Coral Fish Hawaii with my wife and I **strongly oppose HB 606.**

Located in Aiea on Oahu, **Coral Fish Hawaii** is the largest retail tropical fish store in the state selling both saltwater and freshwater fish, aquariums and aquarium supplies. If this bill goes forward, it will be a death sentence for the store and my family. I would also be personally responsible for over $300,000 in rent to my landlord for the term of my lease.

Coral Fish Hawaii currently supports 15 employees and contributes well over a million dollars to the economy of Hawaii each year. I feel that the lack of due diligence on the part of certain legislators is disgraceful. Lawmakers listening to only certain constituents and introducing legislation without actively investigating an issue is a reason why I often question our democratic society.

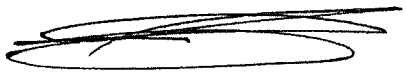
Over the past 35 years, Coral Fish Hawaii has contributed to the enjoyment of tropical fish to untold thousands of people within state-not to mention the hundreds of kids we have given our ongoing school lectures and tours to. I can't tell you how many times people have come up to me stating that we helped them set up a small marine aquarium when they were kids and thanked me for exposing them to the wonders of the ocean. If this bill were to pass, we would definitely close- **no more lectures and tours for the keikis, no more fish in aquariums at the hospitals, doctors' offices and hotels. Simply, no more fish for people to see and enjoy, especially for those who don't or can't go in the ocean.**

I believe that this bill is being initiated by select few vocal activists who feel that having an ocean aquarium in front of their million dollar house trumps a locally sustainable and well regulated fishery. **The DLNR has proven that regulation works as proven in their recently published 5 year study**.

Over the past 10 years, I have had to come down to lobby, educate and testify in front of legislators who hold my life and future in their hands- How do I plan my future?? But quite frankly, My resolve will continue to prove that our industry is not the bad guy certain activists paint us as. We are local, we are sustainable and we are well regulated.

The introduction of this bill by certain legislators is irresponsible given that their focus should be on bigger issues-and not putting people and an entire industry out of work. Please do not allow this bill to proceed.

Thank you for your time and Aloha,



John R Fernley "Randy"/ Owner- Coral Fish Hawaii

Testimony -**HB 873**

Hearing: Wed 2/11/15

House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs

Testimony in Opposition of Bill HB 873

February 9, 2015

Chairperson Ing and Committee Members,

My name is Dennis Yamaguchi and I am a full time commercial fisherman for aquarium fish on Oahu. I support a well regulated tropical fish industry in Hawaii. The aquarium fishery in Hawaii has been monitored and regulated by the state for nearly 40 years, and has proven to be sustainable at current levels. However, House Bill 873 will shut down the industry statewide, based on false information passed as scientific fact.

One glaring example of fictitious information is the statement "The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported severe overharvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii". The fact is, it is illegal to take, break, or damage coral in Hawaii, as specified in HRS 188-68.

Please to not pass HB873. Thankyou.

Dennis Yamaguchi

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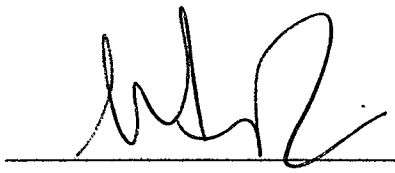

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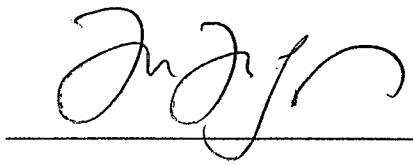

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Re: H.B. 873-REGISTERED VOTER/FISHERMAN HAWAII COUNTY - AGAINST
House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs
Date of Hearing: February 11, 2015 8:30AM

Aloha,

I am a registered voter and resident of Hawaii County and have been collecting aquarium fish in Hawaii since 1967. I would like to bring to your attention that the information that is the foundation for Bill H.B. 873 is currently incorrect.Please review some sample points below that highlight the serious issues with H.B. 873 that will close a well-managed fishery:

Statement H.B. 873:*"The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii."*

- Fact:H.R.S. § 188-68(a) Prohibits taking, breaking or damaging of live stony corals from waters of Hawaii, including any live reef or mushroom coral. Prohibits taking any rock to which marine life of any kind is visibly attached or affixed. Furthermore the live corals found in Hawaii are not of significant commercial interest to the aquarium trade.
- Summary: Bill H.B. 873 is closing a fishery that collects live fish not live corals that are protected by law and not harvested by the aquarium fishery.

Statement H.B. 873:*Species targeted by the industry are three to ten times more abundant in areas protected from aquarium collecting than in areas where the industry operates, which represents the vast majority of Hawaii's coral reefs.*

- Fact:"DLNR's *"Report to the Thirtieth Legislature 2015 Regular Session- Report on the Findings and Recommendations of Effectiveness of the West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area"* States:
  - ***There are no significant differences in the abundance of adult Yellow Tang in Open vs. closed areas in shallow water (10'-20' depths).***
  - *In terms of the yearly differences in a species' abundance between the Open Areas and the FRAssix species have been consistently more abundant in the FRAs than in the Open Areas.* ***Eleven species showed no consistent pattern and 17 species were consistently more abundant in the Open Areas.***
  - *For most of the species on the White List, collecting impact, in terms of the percentage of thepopulation being removed annually, is relatively low with eight species having single digitpercent catch and 23 species having catch values <1%.*

The basis of H.B. 873 is flawed as the examples above indicate and would shut a well-managed fishery.The Aquarium Fishery provides jobs and income that contribute to a diversified Hawaii economy and that income is spent locally to provide additional economic benefits. The fishery is sustainable,has operated in Hawaii for over fifty years, and is known for its quality.

Anthony Nahacky Feb. 8, 2015

Re: H.B. 873-REGISTERED VOTER/FISH PACKER HAWAII COUNTY - AGAINST
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Date of Hearing: February 11, 2015 8:30AM

Aloha,

The main basis of H.B. 873 is the removal of coral for the aquarium trade. **There is no removal of coral for the aquarium trade!** Someone has made a serious error that threatens my livelihood and ability to pay my Hawaii taxes. Although the point could be made that I will not owe taxes if my income is removed. Not only is coral not removed for the aquarium trade but it is illegal to do so. H.R.S. § 188-68(a) *"Prohibits taking, breaking or damaging of live stony corals from waters of Hawaii, including any live reef or mushroom coral. Prohibits taking any rock to which marine life of any kind is visibly attached or affixed."* Further it is difficult to understand why a fishery would be closed which involves fishing for fish not coral harvesting or itsextraction. It might be of interest to members of the House of Representatives under fifty years of age that before coral harvesting was made illegal it was harvested in the 60's, painted, and sold to tourists not aquarists.

H.B. 873 goes on to detail exaggerated declines of aquarium fish. Bill 306 passed in 1998 ensures you can fact check these claims. "DLNR's *"Report to the Thirtieth Legislature 2015 Regular Session- Report on the Findings and Recommendations of Effectiveness of the West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area"*Please before considering whether to remove my sole livelihood verify that DLNR/DAR scientists recommend a bill such as H.B. 873 or if the data supports the basis of H.B. 873, as it does not. The aquarium fishery is sustainable but as with all fisheries we cannot meet a requirement of having the same number of fish that are in a "no take" area in an open where fishing takes place. Whether it be a speared Kole, a tourist catching a marlin, or a bottom fisherman bringing up an Opakapaka, the fish is removed and the question is how quickly will it be replenished and are stocks declining year after year?**The DLNR 2015 report clearly indicates stocks are increasing on the two species that are the main targeted aquarium species in the West Hawaii Regional Fisheries Management Area.**

I respectfully request that you discuss this Bill with the appropriate scientists at DLNR & DAR that study and track the aquarium fishery, alongwith reading the 2015 DLNR report. I believe if you look at the data and speak with the scientists they will confirm that the aquarium fishery is the most regulated inshore fishery in the State and they would not support H.B. 873. Removing the livelihood from a group of fishermen and those that assist in supporting work should not be taken lightly and therefore verifying H.B. 873 claims would not be an unreasonable request from one who would lose their livelihood.

Ulla Carmiencke

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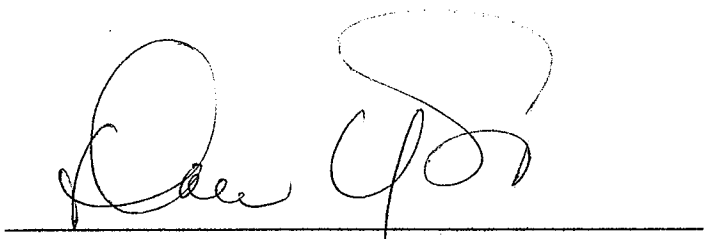

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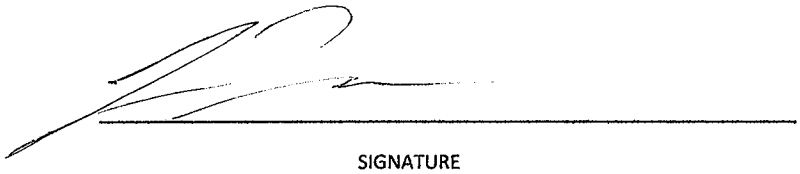

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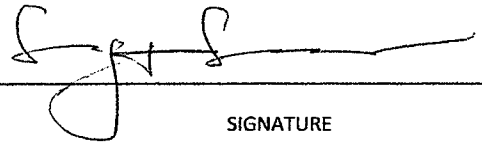

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TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO BILL 873

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Keep the Hawaii Economy growing and kill this bill!

Signed: Thanh Watanabe **Occupation:** packer

Print Name: THANH WATANABE

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Representative Nicole Lowen, Vice Chair

Committee on Ocean Management and Hawaiian Affairs

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TESTIMONY AGAINST BILL 873

I strongly oppose any effort to further thwart the local economy by banning a proven, viable, and sustainable industry, as the tropical aquarium trade is documented and scientifically proven to be, with over 15 years of data and study since the establishment of the FRAs.

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This bill should NOT be passed.

Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Fish exporter/ farmer

Print Name: Jeff Preble

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Signed: Dave Skelly Occupation: Retail Pet/Fish Store Mgr

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TESTIMONY OPPOSING BILL 873

The West Hawaii regional fishery management efforts have borne much success in managing the near shore fisheries, resolving user conflicts, and particularly fulfilling its purpose of improving the sustainability of the fishery.

These efforts have yielded important opportunities for scientific research and monitoring, and putting in place a management program over the past 15+ years that has restored fish counts to levels not seen for the past 30 years as referenced in the DLNR Report to Legislature 2015.

The community, from all sides, has come together, to find common ground and work together for the betterment of the resource, while at the same time, preserving an industry that is sustainable as proven by scientific studies that have been conducted now since the passing of Bill 306 in 1998.

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Please do NOT pass Bill 873.

Signed: Charles Crego **Occupation:** Shipping + Receiving Supv

Print Name: Charles Crego

Date: 2/9/15

Zip Code: 48912

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Print Name: BETTY JANE HINES

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Zip Code: 96818

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Signed: Ned J. Nuding Occupation: Management

Print Name: Ned J. Nuding

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Print Name: David Hamil

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Print Name: Brianne Krause

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Operations Manager

Print Name: Brian Wagner

Date: 2-9-15

Zip Code: 96717

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Signed: _____ Occupation: Retailer

Print Name: Stu Bertowitz 2/9/15 ZIP 01230

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Signed: _____ Occupation: owner, Tropical Fish Store

Print Name: Dana Kingore

Date: 2/9/2015 zip code 30062

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** aquarist

Print Name: Ryan Shelander

Date: 2/9/15

Zip Code: 96815

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Print Name: Brian Dahl

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Zip Code: 96733

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Signed: _____ Occupation: Retired

Print Name: MOLLY TRUITT

Date: 2/9/15

Zip Code: 96816

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Signed: Ruby Ballesteros **Occupation:** RETIRED

Print Name: RUBY BALLESTEROS

Date: 2-8-15

Zip Code: 96816

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Signed: _____ Occupation: owner of shop

Print Name: Dipl.-Ing. Sebastian Dallmann

Date: 09.02.2015

Zip Code: Germany

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My name is Carina Sugiyama, co-owner of Wayne's Ocean World
And I am in opposition to HB873

Senator Sam Slom said it best recently on Hawaii Public Television in regards to the GMO issue. His statement was: "Emotions Always Trumps Science"
That is exactly true, and what is happening in our industry as well. The emotions and wants of certain individuals that are not from Hawaii have decided that local fisherman should not be allowed to make a living doing what they love, and have been doing for over 50 years.

We as an industry take great pride in providing healthy fish for export, so that people around the world can enjoy the beauty of our oceans. For the many people who can never come here and would never enjoy this beauty, we take the beauty of Hawaii to them.
I am very offended by how these individuals portray us in the public eye, referring to us as animal traffickers and worse. And even though there are many definitions to that word, many people think of it as an illegal act. We are local law abiding families, providing work for other local families and industries locally. We are just trying to make a living in this very difficult economy.

I moved here almost 40 years ago and fell in love with Hawaii and its people. I married a local fisherman and tropical fish collector and have raised two great children here. My son is still in college at UH. My daughter has been living in the mainland since 2000, having gone off to college and financially not being able to return. Since having our first grandchild a few months ago, my daughter longs to come home to raise her child.

Her and her husband came up with what they thought was a great plan. Come back home to Hawaii and take over the family business. After all she grew up in this business having worked with us through her high school years and then in summers while home from college. This is every parents dream to have the family business continue through the generations.

How sad it was to me to see the disappointment in her eyes when I had to tell her NO. As much as I would love to have my baby granddaughter raised in Hawaii, how could I possibly allow my child to uproot her family to get into a business that is always under fire and threatened year after year from the same individuals that are trying to shut our industry down. It would make more sense for these individuals that cannot adapt to the culture and the ways of Hawaii to go back to where they came from and let our children come back home to Hawaii where they were born and raised.

Please do not pass this bill
Thank you

Carina Sugiyama

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** DRYWALL CONTRACTOR

Print Name: MICHAEL M. KING

Date: 2-7-15

Zip Code: 96816

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Print Name: Darin Higuchi DVM

Date: 2/9/15

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Print Name: Shalrach Ramos-Digs

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Signed: _____ Occupation: Pacific Recreations

Print Name: David Casey

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** CONST

Print Name: SAGA A

Date: 2.9.15

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Print Name: Betty Turkey

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Signed: Daniel C Harmony Occupation: Engineer

Print Name: Daniel C Harmony

Date: 02/04/15

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Signed: Steve Cole **Occupation:** Marketing

Print Name: Steve Cole

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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** Wholesaler

Print Name: Robert Frei

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Signed: LS Occupation: Sales

Print Name: Lisa Sims

Date: 9th February 2015

Zip Code: 852

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Signed: Khail Occupation: Sales

Print Name: Khail Ng

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Hearing for February 11, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

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Signed: Gail A. Higashi-Takehara **Occupation:** _____

Print Name: Gail A Higashi-Takehara

Date: 2/8/15

Zip Code: 96818

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Print Name: Lia Genovia

Date: 2-8-15

Zip Code: 96825

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Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources and Hawaiian Affairs

House Bill 873 Hearing date Feb. 11, 2015

I am opposed to HB873. Nearly every paragraph in Section 1 has a false statement or exaggeration.

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Third paragraph – ask the DLNR biologists how many yellow tangs are on the reefs in Hawaii.

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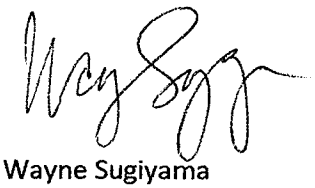
Members of this committee, this bill should be killed. Don't let the smoke screen put up by the anti-fish people confuse you, or mislead you. Let science prevail, not emotions or fearmongering.



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Signed: _____ **Occupation:** UH Student

Print Name: Kyler Sugiyama

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Signed: _____ Occupation: Retired

Print Name: Jeffrey H Wong

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Print Name: Patricia Wong

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Signed: Lani Opresco Occupation: Case Worker

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Date: 2-8-15 96805

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Signed: [signature] Occupation: VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER

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Jon king	Individual	Oppose	No

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Shasta Kuehl	Individual	Oppose	No

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Steve Krogh	Individual	Oppose	No

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Cameron Wilson	Individual	Oppose	No

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Ryan McAndrews	Individual	Oppose	No

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Subject: Fwd: Protect Hawaii's Fish HB873, HB883

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> **Date:** February 9, 2015 at 1:46:03 PM HST
> **To:** "rene@forthefishes.org" <rene@forthefishes.org>
> **Subject: Protect Hawaii's Fish**
>
> Our tropical fish are a valuable asset to the tourist trade. People travel here to be able to snorkel and scuba to see them and photograph them. Places like Bonaire have figured out what a valuable asset the reefs are and not only protect the fish from being taken, but protect the coral from being broken by anchors by having moorings on every dive sight. Why are we not protecting our assets like that?!
>
> Sent from the beach
> p.s. To this e-mail.
> I live on Puako Beach Dr.
> Hawaii Island
> Carol Momsen

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Sean Larranaga-Dorman	Individual	Oppose	No

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dylan nakashima	Individual	Oppose	No

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Brian F. Funai	Individual	Oppose	No

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Dan	Individual	Oppose	No

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Jennifer Thrush	Individual	Oppose	No

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TODD SHIRAKI	Individual	Oppose	No

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Ryan Rothwell	Individual	Oppose	No

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Michelle Sylvester	Individual	Oppose	No

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Joseph Genero	Individual	Oppose	No

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Carl M Jellings Sr	Individual	Oppose	Yes

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Subject: HB873 PROHIBITS THE SALE OF AQUATIC LIFE FOR AQUARIUM PURPOSES (CONT)

(CON'T) (cut off by computer which sent first part of letter.)

I AM AGAINST ALL SALE OF AQUATIC LIFE FOR AQUARIUM PURPOSES FOREVER.

We have to protect ALL our earth and sea resources.

The fish populations seldom bounce back and once rare species are harvested/killed, they do NOT come back.

I will try to speak in person.

Thank you for your time in protecting what God gave us.

Aloha,

Doris W.H. Chu
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bob lake	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly OPPOSE THIS BILL!!!!! HB873

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Monica Mati	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose HB873

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Grace Kamino	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly say No to HB873

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stephen c . howard	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please don't pass this bill hb873

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Kanani blue	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose HB873

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Betty Velon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose HB873

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yuka yan	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose HB873

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michael cooper	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose this silly nonsense !

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Shane Deuben	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am a professional aquarist who is deeply troubled by the thought of the sustainable collection methods practiced in The great state of Hawai'i, to be threatened with the rule based on emotion, rather than scientific and quantified data. I strongly oppose this bill. Thank you for your time.

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stephen howard	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This bill I strongly oppose this will put a great renewable sustainable industry out of business I oppose

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Miki Hajek	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The Hawaii state aquarium fishery is a totally sustainable fishery. Decades of fish counts, reef surveys and fishery management have proven that the fishery is healthy and robust. “If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it!” So why are you trying to fix it?

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David Dart	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: HB 873 Opposed Mark Twain said a lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is still putting on its shoes. All of these anti aquarium bills are laced with outright misinformation. They throw out outlandish untrue allegations without any bases in creditable scientific studies. They have zero peer review studies to back up their claims. The truth lies in over 6,000 survey dives by Dr. Walsh and team and his five year report to the legislature. HB873 opens up with this dubious statement SECTION 1. " The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii". Trouble is the United States Coral Reef Task Force did not make that statement. I was told by NOAA's Shannon Simpson from the coral reef task force in an email to me after I called her, "Again, this statement was not issued or approved by the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force (CRTF) nor were we contacted about it before it was included in the legislation. I have inquired with some of my colleagues in the Task Force including Emma Anders (Hawaii DAR) and we have been unable to find this statement anywhere in previous CRTF materials. I am looking into how we, the CRTF, might address this issue". There is no coral harvesting going on let alone severe overharvesting. DAR's Dr. Walsh states "there is no evidence of illegal coral harvesting in Hawaii". ---------- HB873 states Species targeted by the industry are three to ten times more abundant in areas protected from aquarium-collecting than in areas where the industry operates, which represents the vast majority of Hawaii's coral reefs. Another false statement. DAR's Dr. Walsh states in his five year report to the legislature "In terms of the yearly differences in a species' abundance between the Open Areas and the FRAs, six species have been consistently more abundant in the FRAs than in the Open Areas. Eleven species showed no consistent pattern and 17 species were consistently more abundant in the Open Areas". HB873 worries about algae taking over the reefs because of lack of herbivores. Rest assured that is not the case in West Hawaii. The West Hawaii coast is 100% protected for the yellow tang as are kole tang for the breeder populations. The size limit of protecting yellow tang over 4.5 inches and over 4" for the kole tang ensure a huge population of herbivores in protected as well as in the open areas, to eat the algae. Walsh states there are no significant differences in the abundance of adult Yellow Tang in Open vs. closed areas in shallow water (10'-20' depths). Total estimated coastwise population of adult YellowTang in this depth range was estimated to be >2.5 million individuals. There are several million more yellow tang below 20' also. The kole is the second most aquarium collected species, representing 8% of the total catch. The number of Kole increased significantly in all management areas, including Open Areas from 1999/2000 to 2012/2013. Overall Kole abundance in 30'-60' depth range over the entire West Hawai'i coast increased 49% (over 2.1 million fish) during this time period with a current population of about 6.5 million fish.

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Joni Kamiya	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Laws must be based in facts before attempting to shut down an entire industry. If it is unfairly made based upon poorly vetted data, it is unjust and unfair.

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Lydia Glenn	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The ornamental fish trade is a sustainable and highly beneficial industry which fosters a personal connection to aquatic ecosystems and environmental protectionism among the general population. Hawai'i's aquarium fishery has been shown to be highly sustainable and at times beneficial to the marine enviroment. The disappearance of this fishery from the ornamental fish industry would have impacts worldwide, including potentially increased fishing in less regulated areas. The committee must seek professional advice on this issue before proceeding with legislation.

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julie klaz	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: What's next outlawing home aquariums and fishponds? This is a completely on necessary action not based on science at all but emotion. Please take into consideration that any regulation in the aquarium fishery should be based on scientific fact from scientists. That would make the most amount of sense would it not? This is based on emotion not science fact.

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Dean Sensui	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This bill intends to regulate access and use of our marine resources. Natural resources should should be managed through the Administrative Rulemaking Process, and be subject to thorough scientific and statistical study. In reality, the number of fish taken by Hawaii's aquarium collection trade is insignificant compared to the number of fish consumed by natural predators. Along the Kona Coast, UH scientist Jan Dierking determined that a single invasive species, roi, consume about 99 tons of fish per 3 square miles annually. Extrapolate this to the 147 miles of coastline in Kona, and that comes to about 2 million pounds of fish a year. http://www.hawaiicoralreefstrategy.com/PDFs/7_Fisheries_Completed/10_FISHTALK_Roi.pdf If there is a decline of fish being observed, it could well be due to consumption by invasive species such as roi, taape and toau which are hunting on the reef 24/7, and not part-time as the divers in the aquarium collection trade. It is for reasons like this that these regulations should be determined by sound scientific fact. The regulations should be determined by sound management practices, and continually monitored to ensure effectiveness. Thank you for your consideration. Dean Sensui. Executive Producer, Hawaii Goes Fishing.

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Eric Caamano	Route 66 Marine, LLC	Oppose	No

Comments: Prohibiting the sale of aquatic wildlife is unfathomable. We have made great strides in aquaculture practices of both corals and fish that has helped in so many ways. This will affect so many working families that depend on this industry.

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Alexander Peleholani Garcia	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: I oppose this bill for many reasons. The Hawaiian aquarium industry is one of the most sustainable in the world, and with the help of our fishermen and DLNR we have drafted more regulations to maintain this sustainable harvest for as long as possible. The fishery scientists employed by the state continue to call the collect sustainable, why do we not trust the people we pay to do this research? This bad bill will only cost jobs. This is an emotional issue, not a resource issue.

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Tish Rothwell	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose HB 873.

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Walt Smith	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The statements made to support this bill are false and correct information appears in a report filed by the Department of Land and natural resources (2014)titled "report on the findings and recommendations of effectiveness of the west Hawaiian regional fishery management area". This report clearly demonstrates contrary facts as stated in HB673 and states that the industry is sustainable and viable with a valuable contribution the the Hawaiian economy.

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joseph Bussing	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I, Joseph bussing, a resident of Kailua Kona, oppose house bill HB 873. It has already been proven by many marine biologist including Dr. Bill Walsh, of Kailua Kona that the aquarium fishery on the big island is sustainable under good management. We have been doing fish count studies for at least 10 to 15 years and have proven that the fishery is healthy and strong. The population of yellow tangs has actually increased under the new management that has been put in place.

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Cynthia DeLillo	Quality Marine	Oppose	No

Comments: • Every responsible scientific study, and even Hawaii's own DLNR, say that the management practices currently in place have resulted in an increase in Hawaii's fish population over the last 15 years. Of all the things that affect the health of the reef and its inhabitants, fishing for the aquarium trade has the lowest impact. Tourism, while essential to the Hawaiian economy, has a far greater impact than aquarium fishing does. To see tourism businesses like diving guides complain about the aquarium trade is opportunistic and hypocritical. They are seeking to use the legislature to gain a business advantage, not protect Hawaii. • A moratorium is a ban. The idea that the state of Hawaii would kill an entire industry and shut down Hawaiian businesses that have been responsibly operating for decades is unfathomable. The idea that this legislation offers job retraining for people who have built business over generations closed despite the proven fact that it was doing no harm to the environment is, frankly, dismissive of all the effort and risk that it took to build the business. • The steps that are taken in preparing fish for transportation are done for the safety and survivability of the fish. If withholding food keeps them from swimming in their own waste and trimming their fins (the equivalent of trimming your nails) keeps them from puncturing the bag that they're in, then why would anyone object. Requiring one gallon of water per fish is completely arbitrary. Those of us who transport fish for a living know how to do so safely and effectively, our livelihood relies on it. We stay in business by delivering live, healthy fish and these proposals will make it much more difficult to do so. • Hawaii's aquarium trade is considered to be one of, if not the best regulated near-shore fishery in the world. DLNR found that the West Hawaii "no-aquarium collecting Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs), implemented in 1999, have been very successful in increasing populations of Yellow Tang which is the most heavily targeted aquarium fish accounting for 84% of the total catch. Despite claims that the Yellow Tang is disappearing, its abundance over the entire West Hawaii coast has increased by over 1.3 million fish (up 58%) from 1999 to 2013. The current population across all areas is estimated to be 3.6 million fish. • The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) submits a report to the legislature every five years relating to the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area. The 2015 Report finds that the "The Hawaii marine aquarium fishery is currently the most economically valuable commercial inshore fishery in the State with FY 2014 reported landings greater than $2.3 million." • Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and the DLNR Aquarium 'White List' for West Hawaii of 40 species permitted for the aquarium trade are working. Fish not on the list cannot be collected for the aquarium trade. In fact, the DLNLR, based upon the effectiveness of the West Hawaii FRAs for aquarium fish, recommends that it establish MPAs for non-aquarium fish species. • We all want a vibrant, sustainable and diverse reef. Science, history and common sense all confirm that these things can be accomplished without draconian bans or restrictions. The people arguing for these restrictions are those who believe that to keep fish in a tank is immoral. They are a noisy but

miniscule fringe element, and deserve to be treated as such. • The proof that HB 873 is unnecessary is evidenced by the fact that it is justified under false pretenses. The very first line is an easily proven to be patently false. It claims that legislation is needed because “The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii.” In reality, there is no harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry in Hawaii and there no evidence that the United States Coral Reef Task Force ever made any such statement.

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Shane Deuben	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am a professional aquarist who is deeply troubled by the thought of the sustainable collection methods practiced in The great state of Hawai'i, to be threatened with the rule based on emotion, rather than scientific and quantified data. I strongly oppose this bill. Thank you for your time.

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carl crawford	Pohina Inc.	Oppose	No

Comments: This bill would totally shut down the aquarium hobby in Hawaii. It would make it impossible to have a backyard fish pond. It would cause major disruption in Hawaii's retail and wholesale pet industry as well as trickle down to the mainland.

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Robert Pascua	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: At face value HB 873 appears to ignore the state of Hawaii's own fishery data as reported by the Department of Land and Natural Resources and instead is based upon anecdotal evidence. To me this House Bill is the equivalent of making it illegal to snorkel in Hawaiian waters because it is mainly inexperienced tourists engaging in the activity.

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brian ready	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please vote NO on this bill. The fact that it talks about corals being taken off Hawaii's reefs show how ill-informed this bill is. Collecting coral for sale in Hawaii has been illegal for YEARS. There is no trade happening in Hawaiian coral. Every responsible scientific study, and even Hawaii's own DLNR, say that the management practices currently in place have resulted in an increase in Hawaii's fish population over the last 15 years. Of all the things that affect the health of the reef and its inhabitants, fishing for the aquarium trade has the lowest impact.

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susie ready	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please vote NO on this bill. The idea that the state of Hawaii would kill an entire industry and shut down Hawaiian businesses that have been operating responsibly for decades is unfathomable. Every responsible scientific study, and even Hawaii's own DLNR, say that the management practices currently in place have resulted in an increase in Hawaii's fish population over the last 15 years. Of all the things that affect the health of the reef and its inhabitants, fishing for the aquarium trade has the lowest impact. Hawaii has set a great example for the rest of the world in terms of managing its ocean resources for both economic prosperity and long term sustainability. Let's not change that now.

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Dale Sarver, Ph.D.	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I OPPOSE HB 873 I am a marine ecologist educated in Hawaii and I have been diving, fishing, spear fishing, collecting, researching, and growing local fish and invertebrates in commercial aquaculture since 1973. I have served on the Humpback Whale Sanctuary Advisory Council and a member and co-chair of the West Hawaii Fishery Council for nearly a decade. Extraction of natural resources, whether commercial, recreational, or subsistence must be managed in a sustainable manner to preserve them for future generations. Given the drastic decline in reef fish populations over the past decades management of marine resources is of paramount importance. West Hawaii is fortunate due to the inordinate amount of research, monitoring, education, and community involvement focused on marine resource management and sustainability. There have been great strides accomplished in this region of the State with the implementation of Marine Management Areas and especially Marine Protected Areas. The aquarium fishery is closely monitored and managed through the Department of Aquatic Resources and is sustainable. This industry provides many marine-related jobs and income to the State. HB 873 is a bad piece of proposed legislation. It contains a great deal of misinformation, exaggeration, and quite a few flat out lies. I will not go into refuting the many problems with this bill as there are many submitting detailed testimony on this subject. Instead I will urge our legislators to read the 2015 Report to the Legislature by DLNR concerning the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area. Is more and better management needed to improve and recover the fisheries resources in Hawaii – CERTAINLY. But it should be done using real science and data rather than emotion and misinformation from a very small but very loud group lobbying for their own personal agendas. Eliminating the industry is not the answer. Thank you for your consideration, and please stop HB 873. Dale Sarver, Ph.D.

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Laura "Peach" Reid	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am writing in opposition of HB873. This bill would prohibit/ BAN the collection of any fish for aquariums. Tropical fish keeping is a popular - and green - hobby. Sustainable collection is not only possible, it is happening, yes, even in Hawaii already. The aquarium hobby and the sustainability of fish can and do co-exist. Let's keep it that way! Thank you for your consideration.

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lonnie ready	Individual	Oppose	No

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Tina Owens	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This bill is appalling in its misinformation and wrong assumptions. Virtually every statement made as justification for the purpose of the bill are lies and/or disinformation. First, the statement attributed to the Coral Reef Task Force about AQ fishers illegally harvesting coral is false. The Coral Reef Task Force has denied ever making such a statement. So, someone made it up. Just about everything else in there is wrong as well. The recently released 2015 Report to the Legislature from DAR/DLNR about the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area is available on the DLNR website. This is the true science covering more than 15 years of study on WH reefs, and those studies show that yellow tang in West Hawaii's FRAs have increased by 67% and not significantly declined outside the FRAs. Clearly saying that Yellow Tangs have decreased by 90% is a lie. This bill also maintains that the AQ industry doesn't amount to much in terms of the state's tax coffers. 1) if the industry is so small, then it cannot be as damaging as claimed and b) the 50-some collectors in West Hawaii not only pay excise tax, they pay income taxes, sales taxes, property taxes. Can you really justify putting all those people and their families out of business for a bunch of lies and one person's personal agenda?

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Nancy Kurihara	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly say No to HB873

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Lee Ashford	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am a resident of the Big Island and I strongly oppose this bill. Thank you, Lee Ashford

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Luci Price	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose bill HB 873. Thank you, Luci Price

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Jim Elder	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: The Aquarium fishery has been going along quite well with an abundance of fish to sell thanks to the effort of the divers and regulations established by the DLNR. This should be their decision to make. Please vote No on this bill!!

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shane takasane	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: As a aquarium enthusiast and breeder. This bill SHOULDNT pass I oppose all this bill stand for. It's take away responsibility caring for a living creature and allowing these beautiful creatures to have a better survival chance in captivity. Its also will take away chances of having a better ecosystem for our aquatic lives salt or freshwater. Boats, oil spills, tourist, surfers, swimmers,etc. destroy these lovely environments for these beautiful creatures to live in. Also this bill does not serve any purpose as far as helping the enviroment. As a aquarium fish breeder and part of a large aquarium community you stop us from educating the community on how to care, breed, and give back to the ocean and lakes. If this bill stops us from these things other more detrimental disasters will happen as stated above. Again I oppose this bill

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shane takasane	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: As a aquarium enthusiast and breeder. This bill SHOULDNT pass I oppose all this bill stand for. It's take away responsibility caring for a living creature and allowing these beautiful creatures to have a better survival chance in captivity. Its also will take away chances of having a better ecosystem for our aquatic lives salt or freshwater. Boats, oil spills, tourist, surfers, swimmers,etc. destroy these lovely environments for these beautiful creatures to live in. Also this bill does not serve any purpose as far as helping the enviroment. As a aquarium fish breeder and part of a large aquarium community you stop us from educating the community on how to care, breed, and give back to the ocean and lakes. If this bill stops us from these things other more detrimental disasters will happen as stated above. Again I oppose this bill

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Bill HB 873

Dear Members of the Legislature,

Ornamental Fish International would like to state that the international community looks up to Hawaii as a good example about exemplary management regarding the responsible and sustainable extraction of a live natural resource. We urge you to vote NO on this bill.
The Aquatic ornamental industry has been operating in Hawaii for many decades and your own Department of Natural Resources says that the management practices currently in place have resulted in an increase in Hawaii's fish population over the last 15 years. While many factors may affect the health of the reef and its inhabitants, fishing for the aquarium trade as practiced in Hawaii has a very low impact. Hawaii has set a great example for the rest of the world in terms of managing its ocean resources for both economic prosperity and long term sustainability and we urge our members to use this example in the ethical approach that OFI stands for.

Best regards

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House Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs Committee

On behalf of Drs. Foster and Smith's Live Aquaria, a veterinarian operated pet specialty retailer we strongly oppose bill HB 606, HB 873 and HB 883. For over 31 years, Drs. Foster and Smith has heled educate pet parents on responsible pet and aquarium ownership, pet health and welfare, and our support of environmentally responsible fisheries management practices.

Hawaii's aquarium fishery is considered the best regulated and most viable inshore fishery in the entire world. Through the hard work and efforts of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), who submit reporting to the legislature every five years, the 2015 report found that the Hawaii marine aquarium fishery is currently the most economically viable commercial inshore fishery in the state.

The DLNR has successfully implemented Fish Replenishment Areas (FRA's) in West Hawaii where no take zones are employed. This initiative has been very successful in increasing populations of Yellow Tang (*Zebrasona flavescens*) which is the most heavily targeted species and accounts for 84% of the catch. Fifteen years after closure, the Yellow Tang populations have increased by 64% in the FRA's while their abundance in the 'Open to Take' areas has not declined significantly. Overall abundance of Yellow Tang through this management initiative has yielded a current population in excess of 3.6 million fishes.

The current regulatory initiatives in West Hawaii and Oahu, with their updated rules package for the ornamental aquarium fishery support the IUCN's policy statement on Sustainable Use of a renewable natural resource. This is a very important conservation tool, which provides individuals and families with socio-economic incentives, while ensuring the viability and prosperity of the fishery and habitat.

Responsible scientific studies of the fishery in Hawaii, and even Hawaii's own DLNR agree the management practices currently in place have resulted in an increase in Hawaii's fish populations over the last 15 years. Of all the pressures that negatively affect the health of Hawaii's reefs and marine life, fishing for the aquarium trade has the lowest impact.

We fully support responsible legislation using scientific based methodologies. Unfortunately, HB 606, HB 873, and HB 883 do not meet this criteria based on the successful management and regulatory initiatives employed by the state of Hawaii's DLNR, and therefore Drs. Foster and Smith's Live Aquaria strongly oppose this legislation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin J Kohen
LiveAquaria Director
Drs. Foster and Smith

February 9, 2015

RE: Testimony in Opposition to Bill 873

Aloha County Council Members,

I am writing in opposition to Bill 873 relating to aquatic life.

For my master's research at Washington State University, I studied the West Hawaii aquarium trade from 2010-2012. My study focused on collection, holding, and transport of live Yellow Tang in the West Hawaii aquarium trade. In addition, I had the opportunity to learn a lot about this trade and the hard work by the Department of Aquatic Resources to manage this fishery to be sustainable. Williams et al. (2009) shows that since Fish Replenishment Areas (FRA) implementation, Yellow Tang densities within FRAs have increased. Moreover, this study showed "spillover" of juvenile fish from the protected areas, which can sustain the areas open to collection.

With respect to the science pertaining to this fishery, I oppose House Bill 873.

Sincerely,
Emily S. Munday, M.S.

02/09/2015

John Welsh

President

Reef lovers Aquariums:

I own a small aquarium retail shop in Florida. I have been in business for 16 years. Hawaii is an amazing state and the tropical fish there are beautiful. The aquarium hobbyist and professionals love to keep fish from Hawaii. Hawaiian fish are a crucial part of the aquarium industry. The aquarium hobby and industry is a global one. Removing the fish from Hawaii from the aquarium trade would be devastating for the professional, small business and the hobbyist. If the population of certain species are on a decline from direct collection for the aquarium trade and can be proven so, reduce or remove those certain species from collection. Please do not ban the entire state from collection of tropical fish. It would be a great disaster to the hobby and most important the aquarium industry, small business and the family's it will affect.

Thank you for your consideration

John Welsh

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Dear Honorable Members of the Hawai'i State Legislature:

As a commercial member of the 221 accredited member institutions of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), a member of the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA), and member of the European Union of Aquarium Curators, who combined, reach an annual visitation of nearly a billion people world-wide to spread the conservation message, I would like to take this opportunity to express our serious concerns regarding the upcoming legistation for the sustainable Hawaiian marine tropical fish fishery.

I am hopeful you will discard legislation on the bill in front of you on HB 873. It is NOT supported by science and the current recommendations of your own State of Hawaii, Division of Aquatic Resources. This is someone's political and self-serving agenda.

I think we all, including the current opposition will eventually agree that a common sense, science-based, regulatory approach that governs the take and humane transportation of coral reef species is a positive step in the management of this fishery and a key element in enhancing the coral reef fishery populations in Hawai'i. We remind you that we strongly support the State of Hawai'i Division of Aquatic Resources management team to enact limited entry and other conservation measures deemed appropriate by science, and not be overly swayed by emotion to fairly and successfully manage this valuable fishery.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on these important decisions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Forrest A. Young
Director, Dynasty Marine Associates, Inc.
Commercial Member AZA
Commercial Member WAZA
Commercial Member EUAC

February 9, 2015

House Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs Committee

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing today on behalf of Petco Animal Supplies, a responsible pet specialty retail leader. We have been in business since 1965 and currently operate over 1,300 stores nationwide and 9 stores in the state of Hawaii.

At Petco our entire business revolves around celebrating the human-animal bond and the joy pets bring to our lives. Petco's top priority is always the health and well-being of animals, including marine aquatic life. We have what we believe are the industry's strongest standards for animal health and welfare, both in our stores and with our suppliers.

Petco is committed to offering marine aquatic life that is either aquacultured or collected through practices that include careful attention to the sustainability and welfare of both the animals and the marine environments where they live. We applaud Hawaii and the success you have achieved regarding sustainable collection practices and environmental stewardship.

- Hawaii's aquarium industry is considered as one of if not the best regulated near-shore fishery in the world
- DLNR found that the West Hawaii Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs), implemented in 1999, have been extremely successful in increasing populations of Yellow Tang (Zebrasoma flavescens) by over 64%.
- DNLR Aquarium 'White List' for West Hawaii of 40 species permitted for the aquarium trade is working. Fish not on the list cannot be collected for the aquarium trade.

Although we applaud these successes we feel that HB 606, HB 873 and HB 883 do not meet the stated objective of improving marine aquatic life welfare and/or sustainability and therefore Petco strongly opposes this legislation. We do support HB 511 and agree that there should be legal protection from harassment while conducting business.

We at Petco support responsible legislation and welcome the opportunity to work with you, your staff and other industry leaders in crafting legislation that would be more effective in accomplishing these goals while using science based methods.

I would be pleased to discuss our view with you further at your convenience. Please contact me at 858.453.7845 ext. 4049.

Respectfully,

Marcie Whichard
VP, Industry and Public Affairs
Petco Animal Supplies, Inc.

To: The Hawaii House Oceans Committee

From: Ken Nedimyer, Retired Fisherman, Active Conservationist

RE: Opposition to HB 873

Dear Members of the House Oceans Committee,

I would like to go on record opposing the proposed HB 873 that proposes to prohibit the sale of marine life harvested from Hawaiian waters for use as ornamental fish. This bill would obviously the entire marine life fishery in Hawaii, which comes as a surprise to me since bay all accounts it is one of the best managed and most sustainable fisheries on the island.

Where is the evidence to suggest that this bill has merit? I there a real problem, or has one been made up in the public arena by misinformed or misdirected individuals or groups? I cannot imagine such a bill being passed without scientific evidence to suggest that there is a problem. By just about any measure the Marine life fishery of Hawaii is well managed, the fish stocks are stable, and there is no overfishing being recorded.

I spent 30 years of my life as a marine life fisherman in Florida and have done a 180 degree turn in my career to the point where I am an avid conservationist. I now run a nonprofit company that is working diligently to protect and restore corals reefs. Of all the threats to coral reefs, overfishing being one of them, I think the marine life fishery has one of the smallest environmental impacts of any fishery and is hardly worth worrying about.

Ken Nedimyer

Concerned Conservationist

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To: Hawaii House Oceans Committee
Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs Committee of the Hawaii Legislature

9th February 2015

Dear Sir

Ref: **Testimony in opposition to Bill HB873 relating to the Hawaiian Ornamental Aquarium Industry**

Tropical Marine Centre is Europe's largest and oldest importer of ornamental marine animals for use in the Aquarium trade. We have a long association with the **Hawaiian ornamental industry** and have been a strong supporter of a humane, sustainable and ethical aquarium trade for over 40 years.

Tropical Marine Centre was a founding supporter, data provider and financial sponsor of **UNEP –WCMC's Global Marine Aquarium Database (GMAD)** as well as being a founding member of the **Marine Aquarium Council (MAC)** and became one of the first certified livestock operations in Europe. Tropical Marine Centre maintains a close relationship with our own Government's Department of the Environment and Rural Affairs and assists with the training of CITES Wildlife Inspectors in the United Kingdom in respect of identification and handling of CITES listed corals species.

Through the collecting operations in both O'ahu and in particular Kona, which supply Tropical Marine Centre, we strongly oppose any effort to further restrict our access to ornamental fish by banning a proven, viable, and sustainable industry, as the tropical aquarium trade is documented and scientifically proven to be, with over 15 years of data and study since the establishment of the FRAs.

Management efforts have evolved since the establishment of the FRAs, (Fish Replenishment Areas), in 1999, and with the addition of the White List which further restricts collection as to species, size, and numbers, there is no need for such a severe bill as HB 873.

No other commercial fishing group is as closely regulated or has such stringent restrictions as the aquarium trade. Tropical Marine Centre believe the existing management plan in place is working, is effective, and no further action on the part of legislators is required. We strongly oppose Bill HB873 which would and deny us access to a sustainable source of unique animals and deprive our business of income from a resource in which we have invested over a long period of time.

It is important for all stakeholders to note that the Hawaiian marine collecting businesses supplying Tropical Marine Centre already conform to the highest standards of best practice in our industry and this is reflected in the very high quality and condition of collected Hawaiian fish, and the low mortality both during transport and post transport to the UK. These mortalities are typically less than 0.1 -0.3% for the long journey from the Pacific, and the onward survivorship in our aquariums, with our retailers and with the hobbyist is very high.

Tropical Marine Centre already consider the aquarium fishery in Hawaiian to be one of the best managed and regulated of all the 42 collection areas we work with worldwide.

Yours sincerely

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TESTIMONY OF THE PET INDUSTRY JOINT ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES, & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS IN OPPOSITION TO HB 873
To be heard February 11th at 8:30 AM

February 9, 2015

The Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council (PIJAC) appreciates the opportunity to offer our views regarding HB 873, a bill making the sale of aquarium fish illegal, to the House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs. As the country's largest pet trade association, representing the interests of all segments of the pet industry throughout the United States, PIJAC counts among its members national associations, organizations, corporations and individuals involved in the commercial pet trade. More specifically, PIJAC represents the interests of pet stores, suppliers, distributors, pet supply manufacturers, breeders, retailers and pet owners throughout the state of Hawaii and across the country.

Let me start by saying that nobody cares more about healthy and safe pets than do PIJAC and our members. We have for many years provided a well-respected animal care certification program that is widely utilized by not only persons in the commercial pet trade but shelters, humane societies and institutes of higher education as well. Our association has long been recognized as the voice for a responsible pet trade, and we routinely advocate legislative and regulatory proposals establishing governmental mandates where appropriate to advance the public interest and welfare of pets and the environment. PIJAC works closely with US Department of Agriculture and Department of the Interior to ensure effective enforcement of the federal Animal Welfare Act, management of threatened or endangered species and control of invasive species, and have since its inception. We regularly work with federal and state agencies as well as local governments to advance animal welfare and environmental interests.

The fact that HB873 is unnecessary is evidenced by the fact that it is justified under false pretenses. The very first line is easily proven to be patently false. It claims that legislation is needed because "The United States Coral Reef Task Force has reported that severe over-harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry occurs in Hawaii." In reality, there is NO harvesting of coral by the aquarium industry in Hawaii and there no evidence that the United States Coral Reef Task Force ever made any such statement.

Next, HB 873 asserts that "the population of yellow tang has now been depleted in many areas, decreasing by seventy to ninety per cent." In fact, the Hawaii DLNR found that the West Hawaii "no-aquarium collecting" Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs), implemented in 1999, have been very successful in increasing populations of Yellow Tang(Zebrasoma flavescens) — the most heavily targeted aquarium fish accounting for 84% of the total catch. Fifteen years after closure, the population of Yellow Tang has increased 64.5% in the FRAs while its abundance in the Open Areas has not declined significantly." Overall Yellow Tangs have increased substantially with a current population in excess of 3.6 million fish. In fact, the DLNR, based upon the effectiveness of the West Hawai'i FRAs for aquarium fish, recommends that it establish MPAs for non-aquarium fish species. The data clearly show that Hawaii's current management practices are resulting in increased, not decreased, fish populations.

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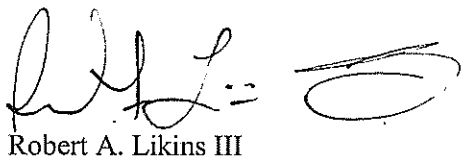
Finally, Section 1 dismisses annual sales of less than $2,300,000 because they generate less than $100,000 in general excise taxes, even trying to make it sound reasonable that aquarium tax revenue should provide all the "funding required for permit administration and adequate enforcement by the division of conservation and resource enforcement of the department of land and natural resources." What this fails to note is that a 2015 DLNR Report found that the "The Hawai'i marine aquarium fishery is currently the most economically valuable commercial inshore fishery in the State", and when discussing what the taxes pay for it expects aquarium fisheries to fund permit administration and adequate enforcement off ALL types of fishing, not just the aquarium trade.

We all want to ensure a healthy and diverse reef. The regulatory mechanisms covering the Hawaiian aquarium fishery supports the tenets of the sustainable use of renewable natural resources supported in the IUCN's Policy Statement on sustainable use. Hawaiians have been fishing for the aquarium trade in a responsible and sustainable manner that makes this law completely unnecessary. We oppose the attempt to criminalize Hawaiian fishermen for operating businesses that have taken them generations to build. PIJAC strongly opposes HB873 and encourages the House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs to side with science over unfounded accusations. We ask that the committee decline to take up, or defeat, HB873.

Thank you for your consideration.



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TESTIMONY OF QUALITY MARINE IN OPPOSITION TO HB 873
For Consideration of The Hawaii State Legislature
House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs

February 9, 2015

Dear Honorable Members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, please take into consideration our comments in opposition to HB 873 which prohibits the sale of aquatic life for aquarium purposes.

Quality Marine is one of the largest and longest-standing marine ornamentals businesses in the United States. For nearly 40 years, Quality Marine has imported and distributed live aquatic species for the public aquarium, education, research, and retail sectors. Quality Marine is a strong advocate of responsible aquarium keeping, supports sensible science-based regulations governing the trade in live aquatic species and sound scientific management of fisheries. We are proponents of the IUCN guidelines on Sustainable Use, and operate in alignment with those ideals. Quality Marine is an advocate for the well-being and humane treatment of the aquatic species in our trade and work with suppliers that share similar standards.

Bill 873 is rife with misrepresentations, and false allegations. This bill falsely accuses the aquarium trade of removing corals from Hawaiian waters, and similarly accuses the aquarium trade of imperiling Hawaii's reefs by depleting them of herbivores.

The egregious nature of the allegations presented in this bill only illuminates more clearly the attempt to lay any impact to Hawaii's reefs at the feet of the aquarium fishermen, while ignoring the true stressors to the coastal marine environment, of near shore development, runoff, injection wells, and heavy tourism. Despite this past year being a banner year for aquarium species recruitment, despite the State's own Division of Aquatic Resources 2015 WHFRMA findings that the populations of the most heavily targeted aquarium species have increased significantly, this bill chooses to ignore the facts, and calls for a prohibition on the sale of aquarium species collected in state waters.

Responsible members of the aquarium trade welcome meaningful science-based regulation and governance, not sensational allegations meant to paint the industry in an unwelcome light. The trade has worked consistently with regulators over the past 20 years to seek ways to foster sustainability, reduce impact, and minimize user conflict. Measures such as Act 306 have illustrated compellingly the

renewable nature of the aquarium fish resource, and the sustainability of current harvest levels. Ongoing surveys indicate sharp increases in the overall populations of the most commonly collected aquarium species. The benefits of the WHRFMA, including the white list, and slot and bag limits for other species will also yield the intended benefits. Additional recent regulations put in place on Oahu also further regulate the trade there.

Unfortunately, user conflict and false perceptions are the driving motivators behind this proposed bill. We encourage the committee members to fact-check the statements made in this bill for accuracy, convene with the DLNR to determine whether such extreme measures are justified or warranted. We humbly request that the committee reject this Bill.

We appreciate the opportunity to voice our opposition to HB 873.

Respectfully,

G. Christopher Buerner, Quality Marine

My name is Rufus Kimura, owner of Kaiohi Tropical Fish and I oppose this bill. I was born and raised on the Island of Molokai and began collecting aquarium fish while I was still in high school. My father, who was also born and raised in Hawaii, taught me how to dive for fish and how to keep them alive and healthy. With the money I earned from diving for aquarium fish I was able to send myself to college. When I returned from college, I started Kaiohi Tropical Fish. Our company is one of the few in the world to use cutting edge technology such as closed circuit rebreathers and portable decompression chambers to collect deep-water fish in a healthy and sustainable manner. I was recently asked to give a talk at the Marine Aquarium Council of North America to an audience of thousands of people who are enthralled by Hawaii's aquatic biodiversity.

The scientific studies commissioned and carried out by the state of Hawaii show that the aquarium industry is the only sustainable local fishery. Those opposed to the aquarium industry would rather you ignore the science and facts and instead give in to their belief that this is a moral or emotional issue. Personally, I do not agree with tourism or the mass marketing of our island to outsiders, but this does not give me the right to try and push through legislation that might jeopardize the livelihoods of those involved in tourism or real estate sales. The future of the aquarium fishery, like all of Hawaii's fisheries, should be left up to the management and guidance of the state appointed custodians of the sea, the Department of Land and Natural Resources. The DLNR has checks and balances and management practices in place to insure that the nearshore reefs are not over-harvested by aquarium collectors.

Aquarium fishermen are incredibly good stewards of the sea. They know that if an area is overfished or the coral is damaged, the fish that they make their living off of will not return to that area in the future. Therefore, aquarium divers exercise great care when collecting fish. They leave large breeding pairs alone and never fully deplete an area of any type of fish. Aquarium fish have an incredibly high fecundity rate. Many of them can spawn almost every night, sending out tens of thousands of eggs. Unlike food fish that take years to reach market size, aquarium fish are more prized in the juvenile state. Most of them can be harvested in as little as four to five months of age. As soon as aquarium fishes are removed from the reef, the larvae from new spawns are already settling in to take their place.

Currently, Kaiohi Tropical Fish provides employment for eight local divers, one warehouse manager and a handful of divers in Christmas Island, Tahiti and Australia.

It is my request that you leave the management of the ocean and its resources to those who have the skills and scientific back ground to properly manage it. This should not be a knee-jerk emotional issue but a sound action plan based on scientific studies and resource management. Let the Department of Land and Natural Resources continue to do the job that they were tasked by the State of Hawaii to do. If the legislature wants to interfere within the DLNR's realm of responsibility, where will it stop? If you allow people to take away my livelihood just because they have an emotional problem with it, how is that right?

HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY
HSU Marine Laboratory

Feb. 10, 2015

RE: Testimony on HB 873

Dear State Legislators,

I am writing to urge that you *use the best available science* when making a decision on this bill. The text of *the bill as it stands now includes many false statements* regarding the threat of the aquarium trade to Hawaii's reefs and its people; these have been shown to be untrue based on decades of research by the Hawaii Division of Aquatic Resources and my laboratory group.

I have been working in West Hawaii since 1992 when I served on the faculty at the University of Hawaii-Hilo until 1998; as faculty member at Washington State University since 1998; and at Humboldt State University since 2013. I have conducted multiple research projects on the aquarium fishery in West Hawaii including evaluating the effectiveness of the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area (I helped author both the 2005 and 2010 Legislative reports), research on the habitat, ecology and genetics of aquarium fish, and the dynamics and long-term sustainability of the aquarium fishery. As a marine scientist I have authored or co-authored 20 scientific papers on West Hawaii through more than 20 funded research projects, many supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the State of Hawaii.

Fishery management in West Hawaii is unique for the *unparalleled amount and quality of scientific data available for management*, the effective leadership of DAR in West Hawaii by Dr. William Walsh, and the very important high level of engagement of the community through co-management with DAR through the West Hawaii Fisheries Council (WHFC). As such they have repeatedly addressed emerging management issues that have been identified in West Hawaii using years of scientific research, committee meetings, and community discussions; all facilitated by the WHFC.

Based on many decades of work our research in West Hawaii has concluded:

- Most aquarium fish are yellow tangs caught from West Hawaii which has increased in abundance by 65% over the last 15 years;
- There have been no detected impacts of the aquarium trade to fish populations nor the health of coral reefs;
- The aquarium fishery is highly regulated with limits on species and number of fish;
- 99% of the yellow tangs are harvested without causing mortality;
- Fisher venting and barotrauma of yellow tangs caused no mortality nor sublethal effects for three weeks after collecting.

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Thank you in advance for this opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

Brian Tissot, Ph.D.
Director and Professor, Marine Laboratory, Humboldt State University
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Feb. 10, 2015

RE: Testimony on HB 873

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I have been working in West Hawaii since 1992 when I served on the faculty at the University of Hawaii-Hilo until 1998; as faculty member at Washington State University since 1998; and at Humboldt State University since 2013. I have conducted multiple research projects on the aquarium fishery in West Hawaii including evaluating the effectiveness of the West Hawaii Regional Fishery Management Area (I helped author both the 2005 and 2010 Legislative reports), research on the habitat, ecology and genetics of aquarium fish, and the dynamics and long-term sustainability of the aquarium fishery. As a marine scientist I have authored or co-authored 20 scientific papers on West Hawaii through more than 20 funded research projects, many supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the State of Hawaii.

Fishery management in West Hawaii is unique for the *unparalleled amount and quality of scientific data available for management*, the effective leadership of DAR in West Hawaii by Dr. William Walsh, and the very important high level of engagement of the community through co-management with DAR through the West Hawaii Fisheries Council (WHFC). As such they have repeatedly addressed emerging management issues that have been identified in West Hawaii using years of scientific research, committee meetings, and community discussions; all facilitated by the WHFC.

Based on many decades of work our research in West Hawaii has concluded:

- Most aquarium fish are yellow tangs caught from West Hawaii which has increased in abundance by 65% over the last 15 years;
- There have been no detected impacts of the aquarium trade to fish populations nor the health of coral reefs;
- The aquarium fishery is highly regulated with limits on species and number of fish;
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I am writing to express my opposition to HB 873, to be heard by the House Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs Committee of the Hawaii Legislature. In brief, I would like to take the opportunity to make the following comments on HB873:

1. The DNLR's recognises that Hawaii's fish population has increased with the current management practices in place over the past 15 years.

2. The implications of a ban would extent well beyond the aquarium fish industry, having a seriously detrimental impact on tourism as well, which does not appear to have been considered. Many fish keepers from Europe and elsewhere choose to visit Hawaii to see and appreciate the environment where their aquarium occupants originate from; clearly, with a ban in place, this emotional link that draws them to Hawaii would be lost. European travellers would be more likely to visit the Caribbean or Indian Ocean islands where reef fish can still be seen, but these locations are easier to reach, and less costly in most cases too. The islands will suffer a further financial loss as a consequence.

3. Why should there be any distinction between the aquarium trade and other reasons for catching fish? It matters not for what reason they are being removed from the ecosystem – the fact is that they are, and in the case of the aquarium industry, trade is being carried out under strict regulatory guidelines that are proven by the state to be working.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this submission.

David Alderton

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This is a sensitive habitat that needs to be protected. All the ocean is in trouble and all fish depleted, we need to stand up and not allow further destruction and profit from that destruction. Thank you

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Island or City	Kitchener
State	Ontario
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This is a sensitive habitat that needs to be protected. All the ocean is in trouble and all fish depleted, we need to stand up and not allow further destruction and profit from that destruction. IF the oceans die we die. Thank you

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Michelle Sylvester	Individual	Oppose	No

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Island or City	Maui
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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii!!!! I have kept aquarium fish for many, many years and have noticed that tank-bred fishes thrive noticeably better in an aquarium environment than the wild-caught types, even in professional aquarium environments. Not only do captured fish not thrive once they are in aquariums, but then our local beaches are depleted and the tourists and locals alike are noticing. I'm a scuba instructor, and when people come to Maui they expect to see fish when they snorkel and dive. The preserves are in much better shape than the frequently fished spots and the spots that are really hard to get to have noticeably larger 'aquarium' fish. Not to mention the horror that people have when they observe our fish being taken! A friend once saw a frog fish in a pet shop and it looked so sad that he was contemplating buying it just to smuggle it back to Hawaii! Please save our ocean fishes!!!

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Jodi Malinoski	Individual	Support	No

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E-mail:	grace.fung@abigwow.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Aquarium trade takes any unique fish out of the Hawaiian reefs. Hawai'i economy depends on tourism. Lesser or no beautiful and unique reef fish = lesser or no tourism.

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Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a scuba diving instructor on Oahu, we would not like to see aquatic life be taken out of their habitat. The ocean is a world of its own, and as scuba divers we go into the ocean to explore and just look at this amazing aquatic world. Never do I take these lives out of the ocean to keep for myself or to sell to others. They don\'t harm our world, so we should treat them the same.

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Maria Kama	Individual	Oppose	No

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Island or City	somerset
State	uk
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Tony Sylvester	Individual	Oppose	No

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Jodi Malinoski	Individual	Support	No

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Marc Kawamoto	Individual	Oppose	No

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Shyla Moon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: There's no scientific data showing proof that it is the aquatic aquarium collecting industry that is creating this loss of "pretty fish". This bill should be denied.

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State	Hi
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Name:	James Williams
E-mail:	kimo1246@yahoo.com
Island or City	758 Kapahulu Ave
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. When the fish is gone what?????? Why do we need to have our natural resources raped?

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E-mail:	kimo1246@yahoo.com
Island or City	758 Kapahulu Ave
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. If we keep it up there will be nothing. Remember what happen to the Sandalwood we once had in Hawaii. Let us not forget and keep our national treasures.

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Kurt Kawamoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Strongly oppose.

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TYSON KUAHUIA	Individual	Oppose	No

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ISAAC KAHELE	Individual	Oppose	No

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I love tropical fish and think they should be kept in there HOME.

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EMMALYN GASPAR	Individual	Oppose	No

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Walter Rees	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Name:	Asta Miklius
E-mail:	Malu@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Volcano
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Name:	Grace Fung
E-mail:	grace.fung@abigwow.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Aquarium trade takes any unique fish out of the Hawaiian reefs. Hawai'i economy depends on tourism. Lesser or no beautiful and unique reef fish = lesser or no tourism.

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Name:	Kent Shinomae
E-mail:	shinomae@hawaii.edu
Island or City	Honolulu
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. As a scuba diving instructor on Oahu, we would not like to see aquatic life be taken out of their habitat. The ocean is a world of its own, and as scuba divers we go into the ocean to explore and just look at this amazing aquatic world. Never do I take these lives out of the ocean to keep for myself or to sell to others. They don\'t harm our world, so we should treat them the same.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
William J Aila Jr.	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Attached is my testimony, mahalo

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Maria Kama	Individual	Oppose	No

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Name:	Sheila hanney
E-mail:	sheilastar67@gmail.com
Island or City	somerset
State	uk
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Tony Sylvester	Individual	Oppose	No

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Jodi Malinoski	Individual	Support	No

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Marc Kawamoto	Individual	Oppose	No

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Shyla Moon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: There's no scientific data showing proof that it is the aquatic aquarium collecting industry that is creating this loss of "pretty fish". This bill should be denied.

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lois crozer	Individual	Support	Yes

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Name:	Julie Bogert
E-mail:	Jules@beach-shack.net
Island or City	Lahaina
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii.

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Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 7:01 PM
To: omhtestimony
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Name:	James Williams
E-mail:	kimo1246@yahoo.com
Island or City	758 Kapahulu Ave
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. When the fish is gone what?????? Why do we need to have our natural resources raped?

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From: Testimony Submittal <kimo1246@yahoo.com>
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Name:	James Williams
E-mail:	kimo1246@yahoo.com
Island or City	758 Kapahulu Ave
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. If we keep it up there will be nothing. Remember what happen to the Sandalwood we once had in Hawaii. Let us not forget and keep our national treasures.

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Kurt Kawamoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Strongly oppose.

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TYSON KUAHUIA	Individual	Oppose	No

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ISAAC KAHELE	Individual	Oppose	No

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Name:	Danielle Chomel
E-mail:	daniellechomel@yahoo.com
Island or City	MAUI
State	Hi.
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I love tropical fish and think they should be kept in there HOME.

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EMMALYN GASPAR	Individual	Oppose	No

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Cristin Banks	Individual	Oppose	No

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Yvonne Ke	Individual	Oppose	No

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Anacita Taetuna	Individual	Oppose	No

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Nathan Abe	Individual	Oppose	No

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John S. Rabi	Individual	Oppose	No

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Subject:	Re HB511, 606, 873 & 883
Attachments:	Support for HB511.docx; Opposition to HB 606.docx; Opposition to HB 873.docx; Opposition to HB883.docx

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To: davidalderton66@excite.com
Subject: *****SPAM***** Re HB511, 606, 873 & 883

Dear Committee Member,

Please find some comments from an outsider's perspective on these proposed bills.

Thanking you,
David Alderton

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Tish Rothwell	The Pet Depot	Oppose	No

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Chuck Kopczak	California Science Center Foundation	Oppose	No

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Grace Fung (A Big Wow) Grace.Fung@ABigWow.com
IN SUPPORT OF HB 883

LATE

What type of fish is in China Town thar gentleman saw dead?
the ones that aquatrium trade collectors target and export to mainland?
Grace

I am still watching Olelo 49.
again, it is okay to kill the aquarium trade industry.
fish eating fish is part of the marine food chain cycle.
School and fishes? Simple minded?
We are talking about aquarium trade business.
WOrking with those animals??? OMG

Grace
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+1 808.463.8528
+1 415.244.8315
On 2/11/2015 1:25 PM, Grace Fung (A Big Wow)

YEs, shut down the aquarium trading business. It only benefits a small community. THe major community that really needs support in job and money does not benefit from it.
Again, we need to have plenty of exotic fish species - colourful ones - so tourists choose Hawaii again as the first vacation destination.

Grace

I am still watching Olelo 49.
People and fish comparison? This gentleman is using appendix? OMG
Grace

I wish to be there in person.
Of course aquarium collectors would not kill the exotic fish.
Hurt the fish? Or hurt the bank account of aquarium trading and its supporters?
Grace
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Yes, we want to kill the the aquarium collecting business. It does not contribute to the major economy health of Hawaii.
High end tourists contribute big to the health of Hawaii economy.
Tourists result in employment in all sectors, more jobs to the community.
Aquarium trade does not generate businesses to all sectors of economy, only a very small group gets the benefits.
Hawaii does not need aquarium collectors.

Grace

I am still watching.
The gentleman should not use dog as example.
the exhibit is only one case. and they receive lots of money to take care of.
Ask them to provide pictures of their shipping container.

Grace
A Big Wow in Artwork & Graphic Images

I support bill HB 883. Please no cruelty.
I am still watching Olelo 49. Yes, we want present and future. Not only present.
Commercial fish is for food. They want to sell nice fish.
Collector fishing is not for food.

Again, separate fisherman who fishes fish for food and "fisherman" who fishes specific species that make an aquarium nice with exotic fishes that belong to their natural habitat.

Aquarium collectors deplet Hawaii beauty undersea. ANd high end tourists choose to go to other destinations that offer most exotic marine life. Local fishermen who help aquarium collectors don't get $1
Exotic fishes - abundant - attract also high end tourists with plenty of money to spend in Hawaii when they choose Hawaii as their vacation destination. This is great for the Hawaii economy.

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Name:	Sara Maxwell
E-mail:	saramariemaxwell@gmail.com
Island or City	Maui
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Until that day comes, please protect Hawaii's reef wildlife from the aquarium trade's harmful treatment. There is NO EXCUSE for any cruel treatment of fishes intended to be sold as pets! I support banning ALL aquarium trade in Hawaii!!!! I have kept aquarium fish for many, many years and have noticed that tank-bred fishes thrive noticeably better in an aquarium environment than the wild-caught types, even in professional aquarium environments. Not only do captured fish not thrive once they are in aquariums, but then our local beaches are depleted and the tourists and locals alike are noticing. I'm a scuba instructor, and when people come to Maui they expect to see fish when they snorkel and dive. The preserves are in much better shape than the frequently fished spots and the spots that are really hard to get to have noticeably larger 'aquarium' fish. Not to mention the horror that people have when they observe our fish being taken! A friend once saw a frog fish in a pet shop and it looked so sad that he was contemplating buying it just to smuggle it back to Hawaii! Please save our ocean fishes!!!

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Name:	Asta Miklius
E-mail:	Malu@hawaii.rr.com
Island or City	Volcano
State	HI
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Until that day comes, please protect Hawaii's reef wildlife from the aquarium trade's harmful treatment.

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William J Aila Jr.	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Aloha, my testimony is attached, mahalo.

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Joni Kamiya	Individual	Oppose	No

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Maria Kama	Individual	Oppose	No

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Name:	sheila Hanney
E-mail:	sheilastar67@gmail.com
Island or City	somerset
State	uk
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Until that day comes, please protect Hawaii\'s reef wildlife from the aquarium trade\'s harmful treatment.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ronnie Perry	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support the protection of our reefs and reef fish. The taking of reef fish/creatures from the ocean is destroying our ocean environment. Please support this bill. Mahalo, Ronnie Perry

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tony Sylvester	Individual	Oppose	No

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Jodi Malinoski	Individual	Support	No

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Marc Kawamoto	Individual	Oppose	No

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Shyla Moon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I see no reason for this. Bills are introduced so fast no one is able to even grasp what is being proposed! Not right for government to do this. Oppose!

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Name:	Julie Bogert
E-mail:	Jules@beach-shack.net
Island or City	Lahaina
State	Hi
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Until that day comes, please protect Hawaii's reef wildlife from the aquarium trade's harmful treatment.

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Kurt Kawamoto	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Strongly oppose.

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Name:	Alohi Nakachi
E-mail:	alohiswim@yahoo.com
Island or City	Kona
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Until that day comes, please protect Hawaii's reef wildlife from the aquarium trade's harmful treatment. The aquarium trade is already such a wasteful practice. The web of animals and industries of Hawaii that interact and are connected to coral reefs are all impacted. The aquarium trade while produces revenue between $1 to 2 million, but the damages caused from such an industries easily significantly surpasses this number. Ecosystems such as coral reefs are not closed systems and industries such as the aquarium trade are not closed industries. Thus they do not operate as a single self-sufficient system but form a rather complex web that connects everything that interacts with it. Thus any action performed from an aquarium collector impacts anyone and everyone that interact with the species, the area, and the ecosystems that the collectors operate. Limiting the magnitude at which collector's impact coral reef ecosystems may lessen the impacts caused by the collectors. This includes prohibiting injury and death to coral reef organisms. While these regulations will not completely stop or solve the significance of the impacts of the aquarium trade it will at least serve as a stepping-stone to the potential solution. The most appropriate solution would be a complete ban of the aquarium trade but if that proposal fails to be implemented presently, restricting the harm and death of coral reef organisms may not only help reduce impacts but also assist the potential and hopefully eventual ban of the aquarium trade.

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TYSON KUAHUIA	Individual	Oppose	No

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ISSAC KAHELE	Individual	Oppose	No

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EMMALYN GASPAR	Individual	Oppose	No

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ANAcita Taetuna	Individual	Oppose	No

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Cristin Banks	Individual	Oppose	No

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Nathan Abe	Individual	Oppose	No

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Pete Basabe	Individual	Oppose	Yes

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John S. Rabi	Individual	Oppose	No

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Dear Committee Member,

Please find some comments from an outsider's perspective on these proposed bills.

Thanking you,
David Alderton

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Chuck Kopczak	California Science Center Foundation	Oppose	No

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Name:	Geoffrey Bourne
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Island or City	Paia, Maui
State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support banning the aquarium trade in Hawaii. Until that day comes, please protect Hawaii's reef wildlife from the aquarium trade's harmful treatment.

I am writing to express my opposition to HB 883, to be heard by the House Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs Committee of the Hawaii Legislature. In brief, I wish to state that:-

1. Trade in aquarium fish would not continue to be viable, in the face of strict quotas regulating offtake, if large numbers were suffering morbidity and mortality, arriving at their destinations in a state that would render them unsaleable. Shipping is very expensive, and there is absolutely no profit in dead fish for anyone operating in the aquarium trade (in marked contrast to the food trade of course).
2. The shipping of aquarium fish is in effect tightly regulated internationally by IATA, and also by the European Union (EU), for those fish entering the European market. Importation would not be allowed to continue if large numbers of fish were arriving dead at their destinations within the EU.
3. The basic lack of understanding of fish biology manifested in HB883 is alarming. Claims such as fish will be adversely affected if they do not eat for 24 hours is simply not back up by any evidence. Indeed, fish may often go for weeks without feeding, and suffer no harm. Goldfish, as a well-known example, cease eating in the fall and are unlikely to eat again until the temperature rises again in the spring, going weeks, not days without eating. Withholding food prior to and during transit is and always has been standard practice since tropical fish started to be flown from Florida to northern cities of the US and beyond back in the 1940s. Otherwise, the fish could regurgitate food and uneaten left-overs will foul their shipping water, resulting in their (otherwise preventable) demise, typically as the result of a build-up of ammonia.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this submission.

David Alderton

davidalderton66@excite.com

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Representative Kanielea Ing, Chair, Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, and Hawaiian Affairs.

Wednesday, February 11, 2015. 8:30 am. Conference Room 325

Testimony in strong opposition to HB 873

Aloha Chair Ing and members of the committee!

The findings in Section 1.of this bill is flawed. The U.S. Coral Reef Task Force could not have reported that severe over- harvesting by the aquarium industry in Hawaii occurs because everyone in the industry knows that harvesting/ damaging coral in Hawaii is a violation of State Law. The Aquarium fish industry has been regulated for the past 50 years, it has been regulated by technology, weather, and market demand. It is these same market demands, influenced by the global recession that currently limit the numbers of fish exported from Hawaii.

There is no data that indicates that fishing for Aquarium fish has had major impacts on Hawaii's reefs, while there is convincing data that Hawaii's reefs are being impacted by poor development practices, such as the permitting of injection wells and cesspools that leach an excess of nutrients into and onto the near shore reef areas.

There is no data that indicates that there are significant population declines and major shifts in species diversity, except where the marine tourist industry implements fish feeding into their viewing programs.

In addition there is no validity to the statement that Yellow Tang have declined by 70 to 90 percent. In fact Yellow Tang in Kona Waters have been increasing for the past five years. In addition fishermen have reported Yellow Tang recruitment in the past several years has been very successful in other areas of the State.

There maybe only one or two aquarium fishermen in all of Maui County, which includes Moloka'i and Lana'i. They certainly can not be responsible for the decline of the majority of the herbivorous in Maui County!

It appears that the purpose of this act is to spread misinformation and half truths to eliminate the Hawaii Aquarium Fish industry as it makes unsubstantiated claims feigned emotional pleas to destroy a Hawaii fishery that has been sustainable for more than 30 years.

Why would anyone want to shut down an industry that supports hundreds of small businessmen and their employees? An industry that brings outside money into the Hawaii economy and that adds to the diversity of that economy. Especially at a time where every dollar coming to Hawaii is sorely needed.

The best science and data that is available today clearly indicates that at the present number of fishermen and at the current level of harvest, this industry is sustainable.

Please don't let emotion keep you from doing the right thing, hold HB 873.

Mahalo for the opportunity to set the record straight and testify against HB 873.

William J. Aila Jr.
86-630 Lualualei Homestead Road
Waianae, Hawaii 96792
808.330.0376 cell.

Representative Kaniela Ing, Chair

Representative Nicole Lowen, Vice Chair

Committee on Ocean Management and Hawaiian Affairs

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO BILL 873

Some facts that refute claims made in Bill 873:

1. There is no harvesting of coral in the state of Hawaii – it is forbidden and illegal to harvest or ship live rock of any kind. Nobody is doing this.
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Additionally, there is no viable replacement for lost income to collectors from areas of the Big Island such as Milolii, which rely heavily on this industry, to support their families and way of life.

It is particularly troubling that our own legislative representative from West Hawaii is introducing bills that would hurt working families in her own district. These constituents matter, too.

Further, the State Constitution does not allow banning one user group from using a public resource. This is plainly discrimination at its worst.

Keep the Hawaii Economy growing and kill this bill!

Signed: Nina Millar

Print Name: Nina Millar

Date: 2/10/15

Zip Code: 96727

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Signed: _____

Print Name: Jim Millar

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Signed: Jerry Welden

Print Name: Jerry Welden

Date: 2-10-15

Zip Code: 96727

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TESTIMONY OPPOSING BILL S73

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Please support local small business and don't ban an industry because of a small but vocal minority. ALL of your constituents deserve representation.

Please do NOT pass Bill S73.

Signed: _____

Print Name: Charles A. ANDERSON

Date: 2-10-15

Zip Code: 96776

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Signed: Lisa L. Anderson

Print Name: LISA L. ANDERSON

Date: 2-10-15

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Print Name: Merrie Y.O. Kim

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Signed: [signature]

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Aquarium collecting targets exotic fishes that Hawaiians do not use for food. Those exotic fiish bring tourist to Hawaii.
I am still watching Olelo 49.
Grace

this bill is about aquarium trade (not fishermen who fish ordinary fishes)
Grace

J have a question:
what type of fish can reproduce in 3 month? Those that aquarium collectors target?

I wished to be there in person... :)
Those who oppose need to realize that collectors look for exotic fish.
Algae is a different department.

I am watching online the hearing Olelo 49.
Those who oppose the bill HB 873 does not know that the aquarium trade want unique fishes.
Those most exotic ones, the most expensive ones.
Those ones are the ones that the tourists don't see when they dive. BUT they see when they go to foreign destinations.

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Committee on Ocean Management and Hawaiian Affairs

Hearing on February 11, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO BILL 873

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Further, the State Constitution does not allow banning one user group from using a public resource. This is plainly discrimination at its worst.

Keep the Hawaii Economy growing and kill this bill!

Signed: Anabelle Tartera Occupation: -0-

Print Name: Anabelle Tartera

Date: 1.9.15 Zip Code: 96726

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Wayne Howard	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha, I am a Dive Instructor and boat Captain living in Kona, on the Big Island. I support a well-regulated tropical fish industry in Hawaii. The aquarium fishery in Hawaii has been monitored and regulated by the State for nearly 40 years, and has proven to be sustainable. However, HB 873 will shut down the industry statewide, without any scientific basis or possibility for compromise. Shutting down the industry will create economic hardships for mine and many families, as well as decreasing the State's income th rough lost taxes and increased welfare expenditures. And all this due to mostly non-local people and large, rich organizations from the mainland pursuing their personal vendettas. Please do not pass this bill. Mahalo,

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mel Malinowski	South Kohala Reef Alliance	Support	Yes

Comments: This bill is a well-written solution to a problem we all know about. A small number of collectors benefit from a practice that was not well vetted when it began. The vast majority of Hawaii people would benefit from keeping these fish here instead of selling them to the mainland and abroad. Their value if kept here would far exceed the revenues from their sale. Our reef is under stress, and no one can deny that if collecting were stopped, fish numbers would increase, which would benefit subsistence fishermen and deter overgrowth of algae that is threatening our reef. The penalty section is important, for without adequate penalties, it could be profitable to just ignore the law and pay an occasional small fine. Collecting for scientific study should be allowed by special permit only. I will testify about this in more detail on February 11th.

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Mary Ann Lammersen	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: My particular comments at this time are about how important the reef ecosystem is to the health of our oceans and biosphere. Any harvesting from or damage to the area of our reefs has the potential of creating an imbalance in the symbiosis that reef organisms depend on. Please use the precautionary principle and pledge to do no harm. Human- created havoc is not easily reversed so let us not start the degradation process now while we can support legislation which reflects the importance we place in the protection of our reefs.

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Michelle Lemech	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha, My name is Michelle Lemech, BS, MS. I am a SCUBA diver and an aquarium hobbyist, published photographer and author. I have visited Hawaii many times and have several friends there. While I was there I participated in KUPS, The Kona Underwater Photography Society and the Kona Reefers Dive Club I am writing to oppose Bill 873. I am hoping that rational minds will prevail as scientific evidence is present to oppose this bill. There are many emotions that surround Hawaii's fisheries but level heads will listen to evidence not emotion. Some emotional arguments will likely be presented by people such as Snorkel Bob's, Robert Winter which will likely provide misleading and false information. I am asking you to please listen to scientific evidence and reason. Hawai'i's aquarium industry is considered as one of if not the best regulated near-shore fishery in the world. It is a model to followed by other countries desiring to establish sustainable fishing practices. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), pursuant to State law, submits a report every 5 years to the legislature "Relating to the West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area." The 2015 Report found that the "The Hawai'i marine aquarium fishery is currently the most economically valuable commercial inshore fishery in the State wi th FY 2014 reported landings greater than $2.3 million." I have seen fishes, specifically Achilles Tang, (Acanthurus achilles), valued in the hundreds of dollars in the aquarium industry ($299 on the www.liveaquaria.com website) http://www.liveaquaria.com/product/prod_display.cfm?c=15+43+325&pcatid=325, be used for fish tacos for an individual. I find this a heartbreaking waste as this fish could have provided fish tacos for several large Hawaiian families if it were to go to the aquarium hobby. DLNR found that the West Hawaii "no-aquarium collecting" Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs), implemented in 1999, have been very successful in increasing populations of Yellow Tang (Zebrasoma flavescens) -- the most heavily targeted aquarium fish accounting for 84% of the total catch. Fifteen years after closure, the population of Yellow Tang has increased 64.5% in the FRAs while its abundance in the Open Areas has not declined significantly." Overall Yellow Tangs have increased substantially with a current population in excess of 3.6 million fish. DLNR , based upon the effectiveness of the West Hawai'i FRAs for aquarium fish, recommends that it establish MPAs for other fish species. I have to share my personal experience here. The fist time I saw a Yellow Tang (Zebrasoma flavescens)was in a friend's aquarium in 1993. I was absolutely amazed. It was so incredibly beautiful. I had never seen anything like it. This friend's aquarium inspired me to learn more about this fish and others like it. It lead me to set up several aquariums of my own, which lead me to get involve in several clubs where I learned about fragging corals for reproduction and conservation. I also learned about fish breeding. These home hobbyist have made quite impressive contributions. Matthew Pedersen, a reef hobbyist, for example was the first to successfully breed the Harlequin Filefish (Oxymonacanthus longirostris) http://www.coralmagazine-

us.com/sites/default/files/u7/CORAL%20©%20Article%20Harlequin%20Filefish.pdf This is because these hobbyist have passion that is hard to come by. They use their own resources and own time to make significant contributions to reef conservation. Hobbyist have been fragging corals for years before their scientific counterparts. Hobbyist and scientist have a great deal they can learn from each other. My involvement in these clubs lead me to involvement on an national and international level where I was able to share my photos (Some of which were taken in Hawaii)and writing with those around the world. I now have friends in such far away places as Mauritius, Bali, Australia and of course Hawaii. This involvement also lead me to become a certified SCUBA diver. I have been fortunate to go on many dive trips and I am constantly surprised by how little many divers know about what they are looking at. I am always happy to share my knowledge and have shared my knowledge on dive trips, and in my local and regional community. Without exposure to my friend's home marine aquarium I would have never pursued this path and would probably never visited Hawaii or cared much about Hawaii's reefs, but because of this one friends purchase of a beautiful yellow fish that I had never seen before, I lead me to care deeply about Hawaii's sustainable fisheries program and to share my passion about coral reefs with countless others. You can't care about something you aren't exposed to, and you can't easily love something you've never seen. Yes, public aquariums are out there and they serve a definite purpose. But rarely does a person get the up close, hands on and personalized contact such as I had because another aquarium hooyist shared his passion with me. I am providing more logical and scientific arguments below that others will also likely submit but I wanted to share some of my personal experience with the committee before the 8:30am deadline. I may try to continue with more testimony but I will not be assured that it will be submitted if it is submitted before 5pm today so I will unfortunately have to cut it short in order to assure something gets shared. Personalized comments are in all caps below. DNLR Aquarium ‘White List’ for West Hawaii of 40 species permitted for the aquarium trade is working. Fish not on the list can not be collected for the aquarium trade. Size and bag limits for three species are in place. Recently an updated rules package was adopted for the Oahu ornamental aquarium fishery. The regulatory mechanisms covering the Hawaiian aquarium fishery supports the tenets of the sustainable use of renewable natural resources supported in the IUCN’s Policy Statement on Sustainable Use as an important conservation tool that provides people with incentives in the form of social and economic benefits as in the case of DNLR’s management of the Oahu and West Hawaii fisheries. That is buttressed by DLNR’s adaptive management by continually improving its management as new challenges arise. This involves monitoring, assessment and applying the results by adjusting management regimes to achieve the desired result. Every responsible scientific study, and even Hawaii’s own DLNR, say that the management practices currently in place have resulted in an increase in Hawaii’s fish population over the last 15 years. Of all the things that affect the health of the reef and its inhabitants, fishing for the aquarium trade has the lowest impact. Tourism, while essential to the Hawaiian economy, has a far greater impact than aquarium fishing does. To see tourism businesses like diving guides complain about the aquarium trade is opportunistic and somewhat hypocritical. IT'S VERY HYPOCRITICAL, HAVING OBSERVED WHAT SOME DIVERS DO AND EVEN WORSE WHAT SNORKLERS DO, STANDING ON CORAL, DOING TREMENDOUS DESTRUCTION TO THE REEF. I CAME TO HAWAII TO SEE THE YELLOW TANG. I WAS CERTIFIED BY JACK'S DIVE LOCKER IN KONA. WITHOUT EXPOSURE TO A HOME AQUARIUM, I WOULD HAVE NEVER DONE THIS. A moratorium is a nothing more than a ban. The idea that the state of Hawaii would kill an entire industry and shut down Hawaiian businesses that have been responsibly operating for decades is unfathomable. The idea that this legislation offers job retraining for people who have built business over generations closed despite the proven fact that it was doing no harm to the environment is, frankly, dismissive of all the efforts, risks and financial commitments that it took to build these businesses The steps that are taken in preparing fish for transportation are done for the safety and survivability of the fish. It makes no economic sense to intentionally engage in selling injured, infirm or sick fish. HOBBYIST CARE A GREAT DEAL ABOUT THEIR FISHES AND CORALS. IF YOU TAKE THE TIME TO GO ON ANY REEF COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARDS YOU

WILL SEE A LOT OF PASSION AND IF A CORAL OR FISH IS SICK OR INJURED YOU WILL SEE A LOT OF ATTEMPTS MADE TO SAVE THESE PRECIOUS ANIMALS. Withholding food prior to shipment is a long accepted husbandry practice well documented in the literature as well as recommended in the International Air Transport Association Live Animals Regulations to eliminate harm from exposing the fish to elevated levels of ammonia and to ensure that the digestive tract is cleared and the water has not been fouled. If the proposed rule is adopted it will lead to severe stress or death. THIS PRACTICE INCREASES SURVIVAL SAME AS HUMANS WHO NEED TO FAST PRIOR TO SURGERY, BECAUSE IT INCREASES SURVIVAL. Trimming tail spines (the equivalent of trimming your nails) keeps them from puncturing the shipping bags. Requiring one gallon of water per fish is completely arbitrary and there are absolutely no science-based studies supporting such a requirement. A 2012 Washington State University study by Emily Munday -- “The Effects of Venting and Decompression on Mortality and Sublethal Effects in Yellow Tangs (Zebrasoma Flavescens) Caught for the West Hawaii Aquarium Trade” -- found that the practices of the Hawaii fish exporters did not cause any mortality in Yellow Tangs received by the researcher and heldfor the duration of the 6 month study – and ongoing observation. The same study found that fasting pre-shipment is the best practice and prohibiting fasting would be detrimental. Statements that the Aquarium trade is harvesting Hawaiian corals are inaccurateCollecting corals for the aquarium trade has been prohibitedfor years and there is no evidence of the aquarium trade removing corals. mahalo and thank you for your time. Michelle Lemech BS, MS

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Charles Young	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support the bill. I am a resident of S. Kona and a native Hawaiian who gathers fish for subsistence purposes.

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Brenda Kennerly	Individual	Support	No

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Robert Hajek	Big Island Association of Aquarium Fishermen	Oppose	No

Comments: I support a well-regulated tropical fish industry in Hawaii. The aquarium fishery in Hawaii has been monitored and regulated by the State for nearly 40 years, and has proven to be sustainable. However, HB 873 will shut down the industry statewide, without any scientific basis or possibility for compromise. Please do not pass this bill.

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lucienne de naie	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Hawaii must not allow its unique native fish species, that our people and our host culture depend upon, to be rounded up and shipped away to die in transport or become a curiousity in a place far from the reefs where they belong. Mahalo for your consideration Lucienne De Naie. Haiku, Maui

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Leimomi Dierks	Individual	Support	No

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Raphiell Nolin	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Save our reefs!

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Jacque Jarve	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As part time residents of Hawaii, we have become aware of the terrible practice of aquarium fish collecting and the resulting scarcity of these beautiful fish and critical harm to the coral reefs. Please stop this activity and save the fish and the reefs for future generations. It is so sad that almost all the fish collected die BEFORE they reach market. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

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James McCay	Individual	Support	No

Comments: SUPPORT HB 873 Aloha! Thank you to the fine folks who created this bill! I would hope that everyone in an elected position in Hawai'i would also feel this is a "no brainer" bill. However it is obviously needed! Thank you for your time and serious consideration. Mahalo, James McCay, LEED AP Private, concerned citizen 2957 Kalakaua Ave Honolulu HI 96815

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John NAYLOR	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Banning this trade is a No brainer! Protecting our reefs which protect the Aina and its inhabitants from swells, storms, hurricanes and tsunami's, requires a healthy biodiversity of our native reef fish. This biodiversity keeps invasive species & algae blooms in check so that the reefs can better battle things we have less control of such as increases of the oceans temperature due to climate change. The biodiversity as so contributes to tourism. Snorkeling rates very high on many of our guest to the island, must do list. As the health of the reefs decline our visitors can choose to go elsewhere to explore reef life.

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clare loprinzi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: gotta clean it up and keep it pono

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Carlos	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please oppose this bill. Once again, these bills are wasting valuable legislative time. They come up every year...and every year they fail because there is no proof to substantiate the anti-aquarium claim. There is no science to support any claims by the anti- aquarium lobby. Please oppose this bill.

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Robert Wintner	Snorkel Bob's	Support	Yes

Comments: Please substitute this testimony dated Febuary 9 for my testimony posted earlier on this bill. Thank youl

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Cindy Williams	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please protect Maui's coastal fish by passing the HB873 ban on Aquarium trade with our natural wildlife. Thank you

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My message to the Committee:	Testimony is Support of House Bill 873 RE: Prohibition of the sale of aquatic life captured in Hawai`i for Aquarium purposes Aloha Members of the House of Representatives, I wish to thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of this very important issue and for the opportunity to speak for the proper and compassionate care of our beloved ocean and reef family. My name is Kealoha Pisciotta, I am President of Mauna Kea Anaina Hou and Founder of Kai Palaoa. Kai Palaoa is a marine protection group dedicated to promoting the health, well-being and survival of our oceans and all life. Our family and Hanai (extended family) are Hawaiian Practitioners *, artists, grass roots activists, inventors, scientists, advocates, surfers, divers, fishers, educators and entrepreneurs who believe change in the world is possible and who dedicate themselves to the promotion of a more beautiful, clean, healthful, sustainable and just world for our future generations. I submit testimony in support of House Bill 873, on behalf of Kai Palaoa and Mauna Kea Anaina Hou as we support a complete BAN on the Aquarium Fish Collection Trade. We understand there are some saying there is no “science” to support our opposition to the Aquarium Fish Collection Trade (AQ) but this is false. First because there is no science that could legitimately defend such a cruel, senseless and totally unsustainable taking of our reef fishes and the destruction of our ecosystem all in the name of profit. Profit is not a right nor is it protected under the State Constitution. On the other hand our cultural and natural resources, including all reefs life and our rights to fully enjoy said rights and resources are constitutionally protected! There is however science and it called the KAPU system which was a truly sustainable system that supported the people—by feeding them and while protecting the ecosystem for thousands of years here in Hawai'i. There is no such science as our historical record or that can legitimately claim to supports the Aquarium Fish Collection industry (AQ). The KAPU system was for protecting food stocks-the AQ Collectors are not fishermen/or fisher women.

	Aquarium Fish Collectors are NOT Native Hawaiian Practitioners fishing traditionally to feed their families and/or their community, Fish Collectors are NOT fishers at all! AQ Collectors are takers who are taking our fish and reef animals to sell for Profit!!!!AQ Collectors are taking our resources and shipping them off to live stressed and very short lives all in the name of PROFIT! This is not sustainable and it is cruel and ‘A’ole Pono! So don't be confused this issue is NOT about fishing or fishermen/fisherwomen it is simply about taking--and this is A'ole Pono. For a system to be construed as "sustainable" at a minimum there must be a replenishment of what is taken--and in the ideal you must replace more than what was taken--so this industry can in no way be construed as sustainable --it is only taking! Lastly, it is not only fish but also other sea animals such as eels that are being taken -- many of these animals are 'Aumakua belonging to different families and that is not appropriate either--as it upsets the balance of our spiritual harmony as well as that of the reef and the whole Ecosystem. For these reasons we ask you as Representatives of Hawai`i to eliminate the Aquarium Fish Collection Trade Forever by supporting passing HB 873! In Aloha I remain. I thank you very much for your time and consideration. Kealoha Pisciotta keomaivg@gmail.com Also www.kaipalaoa.com

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Alex Mitchell	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I strongly oppose this bill for the following reasons: 1. Hawai'i's aquarium industry is considered as one of if not the best regulated near-shore fishery in the world. 2. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR), pursuant to State law, submits a report every 5 years to the legislature "Relating to the West Hawai'i Regional Fishery Management Area." 3. The 2015 Report found that the "The Hawai'i marine aquarium fishery is currently the most economically valuable commercial inshore fishery in the State with FY 2014 reported landings greater than $2.3 million." 4. DLNR found that the West Hawaii "no-aquarium collecting" Fish Replenishment Areas (FRAs), implemented in 1999, have been very successful in increasing populations of Yellow Tang (Zebrasoma flavescens) -- the most heavily targeted aquarium fish accounting for 84% of the total catch. Fifteen years after closure, the population of Yellow Tang has increased 64.5% in the FRAs while its abundance in the Open Areas has not declined significantly." Overall Yellow Tangs have increased substantially with a current population in excess of 3.6 million fish. 5. DLNR , based upon the effectiveness of the West Hawai'i FRAs for aquarium fish, recommends that it establish MPAs for other fish species. 6. DNLR Aquarium 'White List' for West Hawaii of 40 species permitted for the aquarium trade is working. Fish not on the list can not be collected for the aquarium trade. Size and bag limits for three species are in place. 7. Recently an updated rules package was adopted for the Oahu ornamental aquarium fishery. 8. The regulatory mechanisms covering the Hawaiian aquarium fishery supports the tenets of the sustainable use of renewable natural resources supported in the IUCN's Policy Statement on Sustainable Use as an important conservation tool that provides people with incentives in the form of social and economic benefits as in the case of DNLR's management of the Oahu and West Hawaii fisheries. That is buttressed by DLNR's adaptive management by continually improving its management as new challenges arise. This involves monitoring, assessment and applying the results by adjusting management regimes to achieve the desired result. 9. Every responsible scientific study, and even Hawaii's own DLNR, say that the management practices currently in place have resulted in an increase in Hawaii's fish population over the last 15 years. Of all the things that affect the health of the reef and its inhabitants, fishing for the aquarium trade has the lowest impact. 10. Tourism, while essential to the Hawaiian economy, has a far greater impact than aquarium fishing does. To see tourism businesses like diving guides complain about the aquarium trade is opportunistic and somewhat hypocritical. 11. A moratorium is a nothing more than a ban. The idea that the state of Hawaii would kill an entire industry and shut down Hawaiian businesses that have been responsibly operating for decades is unfathomable. The idea that this legislation offers job retraining for people who have built business over generations closed despite the proven fact that it was doing no harm to the environment is, frankly, dismissive of all the efforts, risks and financial commitments that it took to build these businesses 12. The steps that are taken in preparing fish for

transportation are done for the safety and survivability of the fish. It makes no economic sense to intentionally engage in selling injured, infirm or sick fish. 13. Withholding food prior to shipment is a long accepted husbandry practice well documented in the literature as well as recommended in the International Air Transport Association Live Animals Regulations to eliminate harm from exposing the fish to elevated levels of ammonia and to ensure that the digestive tract is cleared and the water has not been fouled. If the proposed rule is adopted it will lead to severe stress or death. 14. Trimming tail spines (the equivalent of trimming your nails) keeps them from puncturing the shipping bags. 15. Requiring one gallon of water per fish is completely arbitrary and there are absolutely no science-based studies supporting such a requirement. 16. A 2012 Washington State University study by Emily Munday -- “The Effects of Venting and Decompression on Mortality and Sublethal Effects in Yellow Tangs (Zebrasoma Flavescens) Caught for the West Hawaii Aquarium Trade” -- found that the practices of the Hawaii fish exporters did not cause any mortality in Yellow Tangs received by the researcher and heldfor the duration of the 6 month study – and ongoing observation. The same study found that fasting pre-shipment is the best practice and prohibiting fasting would be detrimental.

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Lucia You	Individual	Support	No

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, Many thanks for the opportunity to share my opinion. I have lived in Hawaii for 18yrs, my children were born here. Please help protect our beautiful ocean and the fish, keep the aquarium trade from distroying our reef and taking the creatures from our waters. Please protect so many others can enjoy in the future.

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Rafael Bergstrom	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha OMH committee, I would like to voice my strong support for HB873. Our reef life is a vital part of our resource base and environment here in Hawaii and it is under serious threat. Allowing fisherman to take aquarium fish from an already threatened ecosystem perpetuates the degradation of an already fragile environment. Ultimately we need to understand that taking living creatures simply to beautify someones home or business has serious moral consequences. Taking fish from the natural environment only serves to jeopardize the health of our vastly important and interconnected near-shore ecosystems. Please strongly consider passing this important bill to help protect a part of what makes the Hawaiian islands one of the most beautiful and ecologically diverse places on the planet. Mahalo for your consideration.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, Please ban the aquarium trade in Hawaii. This cruel and inhumane treatment of one of the greatest resources of Hawaii will certainly lead to a decimation of these species and soon the demise of the reef fauna and flora so many tourists come to see in their natural habitat. So many of these fish are caught in a way that damages the fish populations and their habitat, not to mention the cruel death of a large percentage of the fish that are caught. Please do not bow to the corporations that seek to make short term profits off of the wild and natural assets of Hawaii. Sincerely, Erin Pinto

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
scott	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha, I am a Dive Instructor and boat Captain living in Kona, on the Big Island. I support a well-regulated tropical fish industry in Hawaii. The aquarium fishery in Hawaii has been monitored and regulated by the State for nearly 40 years, and has proven to be sustainable. However, HB 873 will shut down the industry statewide, without any scientific basis or possibility for compromise. Shutting down the industry will create economic hardships for mine and many families, as well as decreasing the State's income th rough lost taxes and increased welfare expenditures. And all this due to mostly non-local people and large, rich organizations from the mainland pursuing their personal vendettas. Please do not pass this bill. Mahalo, Scott Mudd

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Vivian S. Toellner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, For Hawaii's sake, please support any bill that protects our natural resources. Since money seems to be such a motivator....realize more money is made and kept in Hawaii by Tourism. Promote - Market Live tropical fish viewing here in Hawaii, in their natural habitat. Mahalo

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Bob Babson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please save the coral reefs and fish. Ban aquarium collecting. Mahalo

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I would support severely limiting the aquarium trade in Hawaii, but since monitoring that seems impossible, I'd vote to eliminate it altogether. Thank you, pH

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Christopher Biltoft	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The reefs around Hawaii are under severe stress and fish populations are in decline. The aquarium trade is a major contributor to stress on the reef and the decline of fish populations. A total ban on the aquarium trade would reduce stress and have a positive impact on fish populations. Please enact HB873 to accomplish this important goal.

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Angela Huntemer	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Good morning Representatives Ing, Lowen and Committee Members I took a personal day of leave from my work as a teacher to present testimony in support of HB883. This issue is extremely important for the health of our reefs. If we are not to ban the sale our reef wildlife from our reefs, (HB873) let's at least ensure that the wildlife that is taken is treated appropriately so it can survive longer and avoid the "need" to take more replacement animals. Mahalo for you time and attention. Angela Huntemer

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Kerri Marks	Individual	Support	No

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Angela Huntemer	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Good morning Representatives Ing, Lowen and Committee Members. As a teacher and lover of the ocean, I have conducted some research on the issue of taking wildlife off our reefs. I Support HB 873. Halting the destructive practices perpetrated on our reefs by the commercial wildlife collectors immediately removes a stressor of our reefs. Here we have a situation where a few people pay just $50 a year for a permit that allows them to take as many fish and invertebrates off our reefs as they like for sale as decorations in tanks. Over 600,000 animals are taken from our reefs each year. That's about 1,600 every day. The taking of coral and live rock has been illegal for decades. It is time to include all reef animals. Once a reef animal is removed from its habitat, it will of course never reproduce and replenish the population. Compounding the issue are these facts: 1/ when collectors take herbivores off the reef they upset the delicate balance of algae needed to corals to survive. 2/ coral reef wildlife is fragile and difficult to care for in captivity, these animals begin dying as soon as they're taken from the reef with a tiny percentage surviving for a year, though they may live for decades in the wild. My brother breeds sea horses and grows coral. As a responsible aquarium owner, he supports a ban on wild-caught fish and invertebrates. He thinks that captive-bred is the way to go. It is extremely expensive and very complicated but he says that if people want fancy decorations for their home or office - it should be expensive. My brother is constantly "rescuing" fish, shrimp, and corals from tanks where people who bought them do not know how to keep them alive. The taking of animals for the AT needs to be shut down in Hawaii. Here is a terrific opportunity here to support research into captive breeding of aquatic live that would result in better understanding what conditions are essential to a healthy ocean and how to replicate them. With global change, that understanding and know how has become more important than ever before. A number of Pacific island nations have banned commercial aquarium collecting. Who does not want to see Hawaii's reefs with more fish? Regarding the issue of regulating the collection of wildlife from our reefs, it is just impractical. DLNR has a hard time keeping up with the regulations already in place, introducing more would not be helpful. I would like to end by including the introductory paragraphs of Dennis Hollier's article in Hawaii Business dated January 2015. http://www.hawaiibusiness.com/whats-hawaiis-environment-worth/ The coral reefs of the main Hawaiian Islands are worth $9.7 billion. That's the finding of a well-known 2002 study by Dutch economists Herman Cesar and Pieter van Beukering. They created an elaborate equation that su mmed up the various types of added value that coral reefs contribute to the local economy. They considered the portion of visitors' travel spending that could be attributed to coral reefs, the equipment rentals and entry fees paid by snorkelers and scuba divers, the profits from fisheries, the research funds paid to scientists working on coral reefs and more. By Cesar and van Beukering's calculation, all of that came to $363.5 million a year, 85 percent of which was from recreational activities. Their $9.7 billion figure is simply the "present value"

of that revenue stream. It's how much money you would have to have today to generate that same $363.5 million in annual revenue in perpetuity, given a modest interest rate of 3 percent. It's a large number, but relatively simple arithmetic. In 2004, another study, this one by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, used a different method to calculate how much Hawaii's coral reefs are worth. They essentially just asked people. In a survey of 3,277 households around the United States, they asked, "How much would you be willing to pay to expand no-fishing zones around the main Hawaiian Islands to 25 percent of the reefs?" This question was really a proxy to find out people's willingness to pay to protect and restore Hawaii's reefs from the damage associated with economic development, things like overfishing and pollution. Similarly, the survey asked people how much they would be willing to pay for a Hawaii program that would repair damage caused by ships striking coral, a proxy for their willingness to pay for treating things like oil spills or groundings. In this study, "willingness to pay" is another way to express how much people value Hawaii's coral reefs. The answers researchers got were startling. The average American household said it would be willing to pay a total of $289.70 a year for the "protection and restoration of Hawaii's degraded coral reefs." Multiplied over the 116 million households in the country, that comes to $33.6 billion a year. If you apply the same modest 3 percent discount rate that Cesar and van Beukerling used, that yields an astonishing net present value of over $1 trillion – three orders of magnitude higher than what the earlier study found. Support HB 873 We need more fish and invertebrates on our reefs - not less! Mahalo.

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, We have been regular visitors to Hawaii for nearly 20 years. We spend 2-4 weeks on Maui and/or the Big Island each year. We come for a lot of reasons, but snorkeling and scuba diving is a major attraction for us. It's obvious to us, however, that the fish population has declined dramatically from when we first came in the mid 90s. Parts of the reef on the Big Island are barely even worth diving on now. We tour the world and we see what sea life can really be in places like Indonesia, Tahiti, Fuji, and the Maldives. Hawaii used to be like that, too. We hope you'll take steps to protect the Hawaiian reefs, for your citizens and your visitors. Thank you. David Fry and Meidee Goh

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support a permanent ban on the aquarium trade in Hawaii, rather than a temporary moratorium. HB873 should supersede this law though - a full ban is what is truly needed. This bill can help though if the HB873 bill fails. Thank you!

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I strongly support a full ban of the aquarium trade in Hawaii. The scientific, factual evidence is very clear that the fish collected for the Aquarium Industry are severely in decline. My family and I been visiting the Big Island of Hawaii yearly since the late 1990's. We are avid snorkelers and have seen first-hand the decline of fish and severe degradation of the reefs. In many places, we rarely even see 'Yellow Tang' and many other key fish that the Aquarium Industry harvests endlessly from our reefs. My 11-year old daughter even has asked me - "Where are all the pretty fish, Dad?". It does not make sense to risk the entire tourism industry - which is the largest contributor to the economy - by decimating the reefs further. Please approve this bill and allow the reefs to recover before it is too late! Thank you very much for your time. Geoff Collins

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Michael Greenough	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chair Ing and Committee members. The taking of Hawaii's reef fish for any commercial purpose is simply poaching at its worse and should treated like it. These collectors take from our fragile reefs and give absolutely nothing back in return. The money the industry claims it brings into our local economy is manini compared to the amount of money spent by the tourists who come to our beautiful islands to swim and view our reefs specifically for our aquatic life. We ban the taking of any coral and sand from our ocean areas, why do we still allow the poaching of aquatic reef life for profit? Poll after poll shows that the overwhelming majority of people in Hawaii want this destructive practice stopped. At the very least, phase out this obscene industry over a 5 year term with no permits issued, no selling or exchanges of existing permits, and eventually, no more raping of our reefs for profit by a small group of profiteers.

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Cory	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha legislators, Please support this ban on selling fish for aquariums. The yellow tang population off southwest O'ahu collapsed 30 years ago because of overfishing, and has never recovered. Division of Aquatic Resources administrator Frazer McGilvray resigned because of misinformed management of the aquarium trade on O'ahu. Mahalo! Cory Harden, Hilo

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Dave Kisor	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I support HB873 to ban reef fish from the aquarium trade. We need a Coastal Commission, much like California has.

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Christopher Dean	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Do you know how our beaches are made? Fish poop. One tiny little pinch of coral sand at a time. It doesn't seem like much when you see it snorkeling, but look at the size of our beaches. That's what you need to think of when you consider this bill. Opponents will say, we aren't taking that many, but little by little, they are depleting our reef fish. Global warming, sea level rise, over fishing, plastic debris, pollution, thoughtless tourists, are already stressing our delicate marine eco system. Global warming is a tough fix. This one is easy, just pass this bill.

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Mike Moran	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this bill in you OMH Committee hearing. It is long past time Hawaii stoped the pillage of our natural resource, for a manini finacial return in permfit fees. Even if you do not see the concern for our environmebt, (which is sure hope you do) out financial engine, the visitor industry is jepordized as this priceless resource dwindles. Mahalo, Mike Moran, Maui

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My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, Please support HB873. Wild reef fish are an important part of a delicate and balanced natural ecosystem. Our reefs are not a farms breeding curiosities and pets. Mahalo, Lisa Marten

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Carlton York	Individual	Support	No

Comments: the reef is not a carnival midway to be plundered Wasting wildlife is not pono.

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State	California
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I write on behalf of Green Divers Productions of California (http://www.markschacht.com) and I wholeheartedly support the immediate ban on the aquarium trade in Hawaii. I have been diving and shooting video on hundreds of reefs on the Big Island, Maui, Lanai, Oahu and Molokai since 1986. I personally have witnessed the steep, obvious, and alarming decline of fish species on reefs in many of these places. Please do the right thing: stop this cruel, devastating trade that benefits few.

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Name:	Catherine Courtney
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State	Hawaii
My message to the Committee:	Aloha Chair Ing and OMH Committee Members, I support a complete ban on the aquarium trade in Hawaii. We are a tourist-based enconomy that relies on maintaining healthly coral reef ecosystems. The existing bag limits on collecting aquarium fihs are unsustainable. It is unacceptable for Hawaii to be the third largest exporter of aquarium fish. We need to reduce stress on our reefs not add to them. This is particular important in the face of climate-related impacts such as the recent coral bleaching event.