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March 2, 2016

HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND AGRICULTURE

TESTIMONY ON SCR1/SR1
SUPPORTING GAME MAMMAL, GAME BIRD, AND FISHING RESOURCES IN
ORDER TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY AND FOOD SECURITY AND TO
PRESERVE LONG STANDING LOCAL AND CULTURAL PRACTICES

Room 224 2:45 PM

Aloha Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Nishihara, and Members of the Committee:

I am Randy Cabral, President of the Hawaii Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,900 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interest of our diverse agricultural community.

HFB supports SCR1/SR1, which supports game mammal, game bird, and fish resources in order to promote sustainability and food security and to preserve long standing local and cultural practices.

Hawaii Farm Bureau supports SCR1/SR1, recognizing that game mammal and game bird introductions, such as pigs, goats, sheep, deer, and other introduced sustainability resources should be included among the natural resources acknowledged by the Hawaii Constitution. HFB agrees that these food sources should be properly managed by the appropriate state departments in order to promote food and economic security in the islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

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SCR1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shyla Moon	Hunting Farming Fishing Association	Support	No

Comments: The option to gather food is highly important in Hawaii. This bill will help reassure our natural resources will be taken seriously by our State. We need to place back into the Hawaii State Constitution the wording that includes our "game". This was taken out decades ago and it is time to bring this language back into our constitution. Our game birds and other animals are a sustainable food source for everyone here. In an era where many locals are trying to eat local and be sustainable, it is so important that this bill be supported by our legislature. Please consider it for all. Aloha

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SCR1

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Shyla Moon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It is known that we already have gathering rights, but considering we hunt game animals for food, why not put that language back into our state constitution? On Kauai our hunting consists of boar, deer, pheasant, goat, and on Niihau sheep. These are game animals. I'm shocked that the testimony for Aha Moku wouldn't support this resolution, it is for everyone and the aha Moku council should represent everyone. My only Hawaiians. Please consider giving this bill a chance.

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