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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

FEBRUARY 24, 2017 12:30 P.M. CONFERENCE ROOM 308

HOUSE BILL NO. 446 HD1 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A DIVERSIFIED AGRICULTURAL PARK

Chairperson Luke and Members of the Committee:

Thank for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 446 HD1, which makes an appropriation for a diversified agricultural park in South Maui. The department supports the intent of this bill provided it does not impact the priorities identified in the department's executive biennium budget.

One of the primary missions of the Department of Agriculture is the provision of affordable agricultural land for long-term leasing. The continued growth of diversified agriculture provides additional food security for the state's residents and visitors, as well as ensuring the protection of green space to preserve the natural beauty of our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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Mike Moran	Kihei Community Association (KCA)	Support	No

Comments: The Kihei Community Association (KCA) is in strong support of this measure, & asks for yours on 2/24 at the FIN Our region of Maui Island has many acres of former cane land now fallow. A positive use of at least some of the AG land is an AG park, whether growing food crops or others positive crops Please support. Mahalo.

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