

To: Honorable Chair Taniguchi, Senate Judiciary Committee members

In Support Of: HB2072, HD2 with amendments

Date: March 20, 2018 9:30 a.m.

Testimony By: Keith Dane, Hawaii Policy Advisor, The Humane Society of the United States

On behalf of Hawaii members and supporters of The Humane Society of the United States, I appreciate the opportunity to submit this written testimony in support of HB2072 HD2, to limit the tethering of dogs, with amendments.

HB2072 HD2 creates reasonable standards for chaining dogs who live outdoors, addressing a critical issue with impacts on both animal welfare and human health and safety. The legislation offers modest, common sense protections for Hawaii's dogs:

- a) requires that dogs who are kept outdoors be provided proper and humane restraints, with collars and tethers that won't cause pain and suffering,
- b) provides basic standards for the type of chain used to prevent tangling and
- c) requires that dogs who are tethered or chained have constant access to necessary sustenance.

This story of Laki, a Big Island dog found near death with a chain embedded in his neck, just aired on KHON on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, and is a prime example of why Hawaii needs stronger laws to prevent dangerous and inhumane tethering methods: http://khon2.com/2018/02/20/couple-nurses-chained-dog-back-to-health-as-new-bill-aims-to-protect-animals/. Graphic images of Laki's condition may be seen at https://www.facebook.com/A-dog-named-Laki-308644822976139/.

While our hope is that every dog would share a home with his or her human family, we recognize that is not always the case, so it is important that dogs who live outdoors be protected. Specifically, we support laws that provide minimum standards of care for dogs who live their entire lives at the end of a chain.

Constant, improper chaining puts a dog's health and safety at risk. In many cases, the necks of chained dogs become rubbed raw and covered with sores, the result of poorly fitted collars and the dogs' yanking and straining to escape confinement. Additionally, it is shockingly common for law enforcement officers to find dogs with embedded collars, a horrible situation where the collar grows into the skin, which typically requires surgery. Tethers can pose a serious risk to a dog's overall health. In a statement issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, experts explain, "a tether can become tangled around or hooked on the dog's shelter structure or other objects, further restricting the dog's movement and potentially causing injury."

The vagueness of our current law makes it difficult for law enforcement officers who want to take action before a dog has suffered an injury or death. HB 2072 HD2 will create clear guidelines for the owner and the officer. The intention of this bill is not simply to punish violators, but to create clear and reasonable expectations for the humane treatment of tethered dogs, and to allow responsible owners the ability to take proactive steps to comply.

We support those changes and the intent of the bill, and request the following amendments:

- Expand the educational counseling and psychological assessment provision to all offenses under section 711-
- Retain the current misdemeanor for unlawful tethering, as with other offenses under this section, rather than lowering penalties to a petty misdemeanor.

- Clarify that each animal involved constitutes a separate offense.

HB 2072 HD2 is supported by The Humane Society of the United States and all four county-contracted humane societies in Hawaii. The Humane Society of the United States requests a favorable report on HB2072 HD2.

Keith Dane 301-312-1489



<u>HB-2072-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/18/2018 5:37:59 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cathy Goeggel	Testifying for Animal Rights Hawai'i	Support	Yes

Comments:



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Date: March 19, 2018

To: Chair Sen. Brian Taniguchi

Vice Chair Sen. Karl Rhoads

and Members of the Committee on Judiciary

Submitted By: Stephanie Kendrick, Public Policy Advocate

Hawaiian Humane Society, 808-356-2217

RE: Testimony in support of HB2072, HD2: Relating to HRS 711-1109

Tuesday, March 20, 2018, 9:30 a.m., Capitol room 016

Aloha Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Rhoads and Committee Members,

The Hawaiian Humane Society supports the passage of House Bill 2072, HD2, which would prohibit the use of specific tethering equipment and techniques that are injurious to dogs. However, we oppose the reducing the penalties for a tethering violation.

We understand the intent of the penalty change is to compel compliance with the new law without imposing a misdemeanor charge. But as the animal service provider for Oahu, we can attest that our humane investigators already use education when possible to modify behavior. Citations are issued and charges are brought only if attempts at education have failed to change illegal behavior and there is documented evidence of harm to one or more animals. In recent years the Legislature has strengthened animal cruelty penalties to recognize the serious nature of these crimes. These amendments would erode those efforts.

We agree that counseling (page 5, lines 8-10) may be a useful tool for rehabilitating animal cruelty offenders and would support the addition of that option to the existing sentencing guidelines for all animal cruelty cases. Our suggested amendments are attached.

The cruelty provisions of HB2072, HD2, will elevate the quality of life for dogs and enhance public safety. Aside from the penalty changes, HB2072, HD2, offers well-vetted language that was supported in the prior two sessions by both animal welfare groups and law enforcement.

Please remove the amendments reducing penalties for tethering violations and pass these targeted protections for dogs. Let me know if I can be of assistance.

Submitted on: 3/19/2018 12:25:04 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Eric Ako DVM	Testifying for Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association	Support	No

Comments:

Honorable Chair Taniguchi and members of the Committee on Judiciary,

The Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association supports HB2072, with an exemption for commonly acceptable practices by licensed veterinarians.

Thank you,

Eric Ako



TO: Honorable Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor March 20, 2018, 930am

SUBMITTED BY: Inga Gibson, Policy Consultant, West Hawaii Humane Society ponoadvocacy@gmail.com, 808.922.9910

RE: STRONG SUPPORT for HB2072; Relating to Dog Tethering

The West Hawaii Humane Society respectfully urges your support of HB2072. This important measure aims to limit the manner in which a dog is tethered to reduce the likelihood of entanglement or injury such as if the dog is a puppy, under the age of 6 months, or if the size or weight of the tether is disproportionate to the size and weight of the animal.

Dogs are highly social animals who need interaction. Tethered dogs are 3 times more likely to bite than non-tethered dogs and of those bites, children are 5 times more likely to be the victims. Limiting dog tethering not only improves the quality of life and care for the dog but protects public safety, by reducing the likelihood of dog bites and aggression.

This bill does not prohibit all tethering and allows for the continued use of certain tethers when appropriate, such as when a dog is engaged in a supervised activity or when on a trolley or pulley system is used, if the collar is not a choke, pinch or prong collar that might otherwise choke the dog. We believe this is a modest but necessary measure to that would positively impact the lives of thousands of dogs and dog owners across Hawaii.

Thank you for your consideration of this testimony and the above proposed amendments.

Submitted on: 3/16/2018 7:06:51 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Karin Nomura	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I believe any assistance for those that can't voice their feeling; weaker in the sense that they need to rely on others to take care of them, need protection. I find it sad, that people would intentionally harm an animal that should be under their care. le. the recent video where a male throws a cat off of what appears to be a balcony; the male on the mainland who raped a puppy, than sent that video to his girlfriend; as well as the various videos and events that have since occurred. That said, needing to question a bill that requires the base needs – water and food, being available to a pet that should be a member of the family, should go without saying needs to be approved...The mention of tethers and keeping a dog within one area, goes without saying. Some dogs try to jump out of an area (le. saw a dog tethered in the back of a truck, who jumped out and would have hung himself if he wasn't put back in – actually found this dog to do this a few times; with another dog, on the news a number of years back, who tried jumping the fence, but because of the leash ended up hanging him/herself; on the news, even had a dog jump out of the truck on the freeway, with another car notifying them that the dog was hanging off the back...) It might seem logical to tie the dog up in a yard, to keep the dog from running away, but not all dogs, like humans, are the same, and unfortunately, there are dogs that will not learn and will put their lives in danger because of it. So for those, there are fences/collars that will restrict the dog, so it learns boundary's. Which while some might argue that it's not humane, I haven't heard of a dog or pet losing their life over wearing one, as of yet. And is safer than the possibility of a dog hanging themselves while on a pulley line, especially if combined with a choke collar.

Submitted on: 3/18/2018 10:33:35 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Christin Matsushige	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

Please support HB2072.

Thank you,

Christin Matsushige

1000 Bishop St Ste 1200

Honolulu Hi 96813

<u>HB-2072-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2018 10:28:50 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
lynne matusow	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Pets are family. We must suport all legislation that protects them.

<u>HB-2072-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/18/2018 4:05:24 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Stephanie McLaughlin	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support HB2072 HD2

<u>HB-2072-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/19/2018 7:42:09 AM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Selene Mersereau	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

I strongly support.

<u>HB-2072-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/18/2018 8:35:27 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mary James	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

<u>HB-2072-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/18/2018 10:30:22 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lois Crozer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Submitted on: 3/19/2018 9:55:12 AM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Dana Jenkins	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

Please pass HB2072, which would prohibit the use of specific tethering equipment and techniques that have been found to be injurious to dogs. Dogs that are denied a proper pack relationship with their families are more prone to bite. Most of the language in this bill was supported in the prior two sessions by both animal welfare groups and law enforcement. It is a step in the right direction.

I respectfully request that the committee reject the proposed reduction in penalties for violators and support the rest of this bill.

From:

Cory Harden <333cory@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, March 18, 2018 9:40 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Support HB2072 Dog Tethering

Aloha legislators, Please support animals who cannot speak for themselves. mahalo, Cory Harden

From:

Janine Tully < jtully001@hawaii.rr.com>

Sent:

Sunday, March 18, 2018 9:56 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

IN SUPPORT OF HB2072 HD2

Please pass HB2072, which would prohibit the use of specific tethering equipment and techniques that have been found to be injurious to dogs.

It is well documented that dogs that are denied that chance to mingle with other dogs and their families become aggressive and are more prone to bite.

Most of the language in this bill was supported in the prior two sessions by both animal welfare groups and law enforcement. It is a step in the right direction, and long overdue.

We request that the committee reject the proposed reduction in penalties for violators and support the rest of this bill.

Thank you,

Janine Tully, president
Windward Dog Park Hui
(808) 282-5914

From:

Jennifer Chiwa < jennifer.chiwa@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 1:33 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Testimony in Support of HB 2072 HD 2 for Hearing on 3/20/18 at 9:30 am

Aloha, Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee. My name is Jennifer Chiwa.

Please pass HB 2072 HD 2 which would prohibit the use of tethering equipment and techniques that would be harmful to dogs. It is my understanding that most of the language of this bill has been supported in previous sessions by law enforcement and animal welfare groups.

Mahalo.

Jennifer Chiwa

From:

Kim Tomey <kimtomey@aol.com>

Sent:

Sunday, March 18, 2018 8:51 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Cc: Subject: Sen. Jill Tokuda; Rep. Cynthia Thielen Testimony in support of HB 2072, HD2

I support HB 2072, HD2 and any bill that will outlaw the inhumane practice of chaining or tethering dogs in a cruel manner that restricts movement or provides insufficient area. I feel almost any tethering is cruel and many other states have made it illegal for good reason.

I can't think of a crueler punishment for these social pack animals who want—and deserve—companionship, scratches behind the ears, walks around the block, and the opportunity to curl up at their guardians' feet at night *indoors*. Kept "out of sight, out of mind" in the back yard, tethered dogs are often deprived of adequate food, water, and veterinary care—in addition to having their emotional and social needs completely ignored. Many are denied proper shelter and have nothing but an overturned trash bin or plastic barrel—or nothing at all—to shield them from wind, rain and electrical storms that can be terrifying.

When I lived in Kalihi forty years ago, I knew of a dog whose owners kept him tied to a tree behind their house in a corner of the property where no one ever went other than to feed the dog. He slept on hard dirt and old tree roots in a confined space no more than 5' by 5' often sleeping in his own feces. When I rescued him, he was heart worm positive. In those days, there was no cure and he died within 2 years having spent most of his short life in solitary confinement without even a blade of grass, much less a lawn, carpet or cushion, for his bed. This same family subsequently adopted a puppy who, after he grew past puppyhood suffered the same cruel fate. HB 2072 might prevent this from happening to more dogs although it does not go far enough In its penalty provisions, which should be *much* harsher.

Mahalo,

Kim Tomey 44-315 Kaneohe Bay Drive Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 (808) 377-0255

From:

MARY & Robert <rmmkona@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 7:38 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

SUPPORT HB2072 DOG TETHERING

Please support this important humane bill which would prohibit certain types of dog tethering.

Mahalo for your time on this bill, Mary Menacho

From:

Rosemary Karlsson < rosemarykarlsson@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, March 18, 2018 2:52 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Support for HB2072 Dog Tethering

I support HB2072 re: dog tethering.

Rosemary Karlsson 16-1885 Uilani Drive PO Box 492266 Keaau, HI 96749

From:

Wayne Niide <niidew@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 5:22 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

Cc: Subject: 'Stephanie Kendrick'; Rep. Calvin Say; Senator Les Ihara; 'Keith Dane'; 'Peter Wolf'

Testimony in support of HB 2072, HD2 - Support with caveat

Please pass HB2072, which would prohibit the use of specific tethering equipment and techniques that have been found to be injurious to dogs.

Dogs that are denied a proper pack relationship with their families are more prone to bite.

Most of the language in this bill was supported in the prior two sessions by both animal welfare groups and law enforcement. It is a step in the right direction.

I request that the committee reject the proposed reduction in penalties for violators and support the rest of this bill.

Thank You

Wayne Niide

From: <u>Susan Collins</u>
To: <u>JDCTestimony</u>

Subject: Testimony in support of HB 2072, HD2

Date: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:26:29 PM

Please pass HB2072, which would prohibit the use of specific tethering equipment and techniques that have been found to be injurious to dogs.

Dogs that are denied a proper pack relationship with their families are more prone to bite.

Please reject the proposed reduction in penalties for violators and support the rest of this bill.

Thank you, Susan Collins Honokaa, Hawaii From: Hamid Jahanmir
To: JDCTestimony

Cc:Rep. Scott Saiki; Sen. Brickwood GaluteriaSubject:Testimony in support of HB 2072, HD2Date:Monday, March 19, 2018 2:41:46 PM

Please consider my support of HB 2072, HD2.

 From:
 Christin Greenland

 To:
 JDCTestimony

 Subject:
 Pass HB 2072

Date: Monday, March 19, 2018 3:54:01 PM

I support House Bill 2072. I don't believe we should allow dogs to be tethered in Hawaii, and I appreciate that this bill is a good start to improve animal cruelty laws in Hawaii. Hawaii is very behind in enacting animal cruelty laws in comparison with the rest of the country, therefore I support this bill and any others related to improving conditions for animals.

Thank you, Christin Greenland 11-3923 11th St Volcano, HI 96785

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Honorable Senators,

I urge you to pass HB2072 to help dogs who have no voice and remain tethered to a chain their entire lives.

I see it all the time where I live and with each passing day I see their souls die a slow death being chained up and wishing they could be treated as a member of their family which I am sure was the expectation of where they got their dog from.

No dog should have to suffer any more by being tied up and we need to make pet owners responsible from providing an acceptable life for the pets they choose to buy or adopt.

I thank you in advance for your support in lending a voice for the many helpless and miserable dogs that live their entire lives tied up.

Jennifer Jo

Puna, Hawaii

Submitted on: 3/19/2018 10:30:27 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

S	Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
	Avi Okin	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

Not the best bill, but worth supporting now. Dogs should not be on chains or stuck in cages. The need some room to move around and good, long walks or play parks.

Submitted on: 3/19/2018 10:28:48 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Elizabeth Fenton	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

I support HB2072 to improve the conditions of dogs on tethers. I see many dogs on the big island left on chains 24/7 and i hear them howling in my neighborhood in distress quite frequently. they become nuisance dogs as well by barking for hours at a time which is evidence that they are barking for help and not just barking at a passerby. I have witnessed dogs seen from the street that have not been off their chain in over two years with very little shelter. It would also appear that these dogs often have to sit in their own feces and the only excercise they get is the few steps they can take on their chain. It is extremely inhumane.

Submitted on: 3/19/2018 5:59:23 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Nona b wilson	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

On behalf of defenseless dogs chained up and forgotten with the end result being a slow death from starvation or a collar imbedded into their necks, please pass HB 2072. We need to speak for those who are unable to speak for themselves.

<u>HB-2072-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/19/2018 5:51:22 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/20/2018 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kelley Streadbeck	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

From:

Caryn <crosen2@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 4:34 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Pass HB2072

Tethering or chaining dogs is bad enough, but they need protection from the elements, food and water at minimum. This is abusive and needs to change.

Please pass this bill.

Caryn Rosen

Kailua

Sent from my iPhone

From: Karen Russell <karen@healthylifeadvisors.org>

Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 4:35 PM

To: JDCTestimony

Cc: Dr. Tim Hendlin; contact@stophawaiidogabuse.com

Subject: PLEASE Pass HB2072

I became aware of the plight of many dogs in Hawaii, by Ilene Harrington, of Stop Hawaii Dog Abuse. We are huge lovers of animals and support the ethical and humane treatment of them. We live in Kona Heavens, on the Big Island of Hawaii and are horrified at some of the treatment of "pets" in Hawaii. It is simply wrong. Please right this wrong by passing HB2072.

Sincerely, Karen Russell and Dr. Tim Hendlin 73-1402 Hikimoe St. Kailua Kona HI 96740 808/325-1500

Karen Russell, MA, HHC, CNHP
Certified Grief Recovery Specialist,
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Gerontologist, Holistic Health Counselor & Certified Natural Healthcare Professional

Healthy Life Advisors, www.HealthyLifeAdvisors.org

From:

Rhonda P < nachrgrl@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 5:00 PM

To: Subject: JDCTestimony Pass HB2072

I respectfully request that you pass HB2072. I have witnessed too many dogs in Hawaii that are chained their entire lives to a short chain, and these are only the ones that are visible. Please help us help them.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Rhonda Pollard, resident of Honokaa, Hawaii.

Rhonda Pollard

760.604.7663 cell Your online guide to "ruffing" it on Hawaii Island. www.lavadogshawaii.com



From:

Jennifer Hoyt <jennygymnast1029@icloud.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 5:01 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Fwd: HB2072

Hoyt, Jennifer

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jennifer Hoyt < jennygymnast1029@icloud.com>

Date: March 19, 2018 at 16:22:22 HST To: jdctestimony@capital.hawaii.gov

Subject: HB2072

I am in favor of improving conditions for chained dogs in Hawaii! Dogs should not be chained, period.

Hoyt, Jennifer Kapolei, Hawaii

From:

begoniabarry@gmail.com on behalf of Barbara Barry <gardenmeister@msn.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 5:48 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

pass HB 2072

Aloha please pass HB 2072. Mahalo, Barbara Barry 1220 W. Kuiaha Rd Ha'iku, HI 96708

From:

Rae H George <iamrg51@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 5:59 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

PASS HB2072

Please pass this bill HB2072. I love all animals, and I want to go anything I can to protect them.

Raymond George Kailua Kona, HI 96740

Mahalo

From:

leise niderost <leise@me.com>

Sent: To: Monday, March 19, 2018 6:04 PM

Subject:

JDCTestimony Pass HB2072

Leise Niderost Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Ilene Harrington <ilenepch@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 6:33 PM

To: Subject: JDCTestimony Pass HB2072

Aloha,

It is time to recognize the physical and mental torture dogs experience tied to a chain 24/7. Although I believe chaining dogs should be outlawed, I am happy we have in this bill some potential protections for their health while chained.

Mahalo,

Ilene Harrington Kailua-Kona, HI

From:

Nicole Guillermo <nicoleguillermo808@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 6:36 PM

To: Subject: JDCTestimony Pass HB2072

Name : Nicole Guillermo City of residence :Kailua kona

From:

Darlene Freitas <konagurl2@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 6:44 PM

To: Subject: JDCTestimony PASSHB2072

Darlene freitas Kailua Kona hawaii

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Contact HawaiiAirConditioning <contact@hawaiiairconditioning.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 6:46 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Pass HB2072

Aloha,

I am hoping you can please pass HB2072. Relieving the suffering of dogs who are chained/tethered is imperative for their mental and physical well-being. Additionally how we treat animals is a reflection on who we are as a human race.

Mahalo,

Dale Harrington Kailua-Kona, HI

From:

Trina Yerlick <tyerlick@gmail.com> Monday, March 19, 2018 6:48 PM

Sent: To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Pass hb2072 Now!

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Emile Elliott <e.j.elliott@live.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 7:26 PM

To: Subject: JDCTestimony Pass HB2072

Aloha,

I would like conditions for chained/ tethered dogs to improve. Therefore I ask you strongly to pass Bill HB 2072.

Thank you,

Emile Elliott Captain Cook, HI

Sent from my iPad

From:

Carla <cbm@hawaii.rr.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 19, 2018 7:48 PM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Support of HB2739HD1 With No Amendments

Aloha Senator Taniguchi, Chair, Senator Rhoads, Vice Chair, and Honorable Committee Members.

My Name is Carla Allison and I am testifying in support of HB2739HD1 with no amendments.

Thank you for hearing and passing this important legislation.

Sincerely, Carla S. Allison 1062 Oilipuu Place Honolulu, HI 96825 808-396-1488



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From:

Dina M. Budomo <dinambudomo@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 1:24 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

PASS HB2072

Dina Budomo Waianae, HI 96792 District 43

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From:

Ginny Tiu <g2@hokua.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 1:47 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Testimony in support of HB 2072. HD 2

Dear Chair, Vice-Chair, and Committee members,

I am asking you to please support HB 2072. HD 2. Please give these innocent and helpless creatures some value and do not lower the penalty for those who subject them to this form of mistreatment.

Dogs are social animals and to confine them to a very small area and not allow them to socialize with others is not only wrong for the dog, but makes the dog more likely to be aggressive.

These living creatures feel pain and isolation as we do. People who do not have the time or proper area for them should not have them. They are living and feeling beings and should not be used just as a cheap alarm.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration.

Aloha, Ginny Tiu

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Marie W <pfk1230@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 4:12 AM

To: Subject: JDCTestimony Pass hb2072

Marie Walas. Kailua Honolulu county Oahu

From:

Becky Santiago <santiagor007@hawaii.rr.com> Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:34 AM

Sent:

To: Subject: JDCTestimony PASS HB2072

Rebecca Santiago, Makawao, Maui Hawaii please protect helpless animals

From:

Elyse Harvey <elysej.harvey@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 7:29 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

PASS HB2072

My name is Elyse Macias, my husband and myself are stationed in Mililani. Our dogs are our family. All animals should be treated as such, as they only exist to bring kindness and love.

From:

Elyse Harvey <elysej.harvey@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 7:29 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

Subject:

Re: PASS HB2072

Attachments:

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On Tuesday, March 20, 2018, Elyse Harvey <<u>elysej.harvey@gmail.com</u>> wrote: My name is Elyse Macias, my husband and myself are stationed in Mililani. Our dogs are our family. All animals should be treated as such, as they only exist to bring kindness and love.

From:

Dr. Jana Levin DVM DAVDC <drjanalevin@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, March 20, 2018 8:56 AM

To:

JDCTestimony

HB

Subject:

HB2072 Tethering

Please pass HB 2072.

This bill was promulgated on the position statements and recommendations of the USDA, HSUS, and AVMA.

Thank you.

Dr. Jana Levin Kailua Kona HI 96740