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Testimony in SUPPORT of HB1170-HD2 RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

REPRESENTATIVE SYLVIA LUKE, CHAIR HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Hearing Date: February 22, 2019 Room Number: CR 308

- 1 **Fiscal Implications:** This measure may impact the priorities identified in the Governor's
- 2 Executive Budget Request for the Department of Health's (Department) appropriations and
- 3 personnel priorities.
- 4 **Department Testimony:** The Department supports this measure as long as it does not impact
- 5 the priorities identified in the Governor's Executive Budget Request for the Department's
- 6 appropriations and personnel priorities. Act 132, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2018
- 7 established a Cesspool Conversion Working Group (CCWG) that is administered by the
- 8 Department, to develop a long-range, comprehensive plan for cesspool conversion statewide of
- 9 all cesspools by 2050. The CCWG is also responsible for evaluating alternative wastewater
- equipment and technologies appropriate to the various areas where cesspools are located that
- may better protect the environment at lower or comparable cost and how the equipment or
- technologies can be incorporated as part of the long-term solution to wastewater treatment issues.
- 13 The Department believes that funding a pilot project that evaluates various available wastewater
- treatment alternative technologies will assist the CCWG with meeting the objectives of Act 132
- 15 SLH 2018.
- 16 **Offered Amendments:** No amendments offered.
- 17 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Quinn	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support HB1170 to protect Hawaii's fragile marine ecosystem.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

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