

**HB-1262**

Submitted on: 1/22/2020 10:55:07 AM

Testimony for EEP on 1/23/2020 9:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Alexandra Kahn	Surfrider Oahu	Support	No

Comments:

While I do support this, there are things to consider such as construction projects that can ultimately block access to sun as well. There needs to be consideration for how this would be handled in the future.



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To: The House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection  
From: Brodie Lockard, Founder, 350Hawaii.org  
Date: Thursday, January 23, 2020, 9:00 am

**In strong support of HB 1262**

Dear Chair Lowen, Vice Chair Wildberger, and members:

350Hawaii strongly supports HB 1262, though the bill needs definitions for "solar right," "burdened," and "easement appurtenant."

Investments in rooftop solar can decrease in value if vegetation blocks sufficient access to the sun. Simply trimming some tree branches can often restore this value easily. Reasonable trimming should rarely cause any significant loss.

Counties need solar easements to allow effective trimming and protect investments in solar energy.

Solar energy is one of Hawaii's most effective tools for reaching our zero-emission goals. Please pass HB 1262 and allow counties to use Hawaii's solar resources to their fullest.

Brodie Lockard  
Founder, 350Hawaii.org

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Submitted on: 1/22/2020 5:08:13 PM

Testimony for EEP on 1/23/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nanea Lo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Chair Lowen, Vice Chair Wildberger, and members:

I strongly support HB 1262. Distributed rooftop solar energy is one of Hawaii's most potent tools for meeting our zero-emission goals.

Vegetation that interferes with solar energy equipment can significantly decrease the value of investments. Valuable areas for rooftop solar can be compromised or made useless by a few tree branches, which can be easily and simply trimmed. Any offense that trimming causes neighbors should be minimal, and the community needs their kokua if we are all to contribute to fighting the Climate Crisis.

The bill should define "solar right," "burdened," and "easement appurtenant."

Please pass HB 1262 and give counties another tool to capitalize on Hawaii's solar resources.

Nanea Lo

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Submitted on: 1/22/2020 5:14:32 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jonathan Boyne	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 1/22/2020 8:03:06 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David Dinner	Individual	Support	No

## Comments:

The time is now for universal solar hot water heaters. Time also to stop developers from selecting the cheaper up front cost saving of electric or gas water heaters instead of the less expensive long term choice of solar hot water heaters. Please support this bill.

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Submitted on: 1/22/2020 8:13:09 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lynn Aaberg	Individual	Support	No

## Comments:

To: The House Committee on Energy &amp; Environmental Protection

From: Lynn Aaberg

Date: Thursday, January 23, 2020, 9:00 am

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Mahalo Nui loa,

Lynn Aaberg

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Submitted on: 1/22/2020 8:32:42 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Eric Micha'el Leventhal	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

To: The House Committee on Energy &amp; Environmental Protection

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