

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor

JOSH GREEN
Lt. Governor



State of Hawaii
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
1428 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-2512
Phone: (808) 973-9600 FAX: (808) 973-9613

PHYLLIS SHIMABUKURO-GEISER
Acting Chairperson
Board of Agriculture

MORRIS M. ATTA
Deputy to the Chairperson

TESTIMONY OF PHYLLIS SHIMABUKURO-GEISER
CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

JANUARY 31, 2020
9:00 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 312

HOUSE BILL NO. 2114
RELATING TO PESTICIDES

Chairperson Creagan and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill 2114 that will require that the Department of Agriculture prepare and submit an annual report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session. The proposed bill also provides for increased fines for administrative and criminal penalties and mandates a Warning notice be issued for the first violation of the Pesticide laws.

For this proposed bill the Department provides these comments. The Department currently produces quarterly and annual reports to EPA under which much of the proposed reporting requirements are covered. The reports are quite detailed and comprehensive and do focus on compliance inspections including, complaints, market surveillance inspections (pesticide products licensed to sell in Hawaii), certified applicator recordkeeping requirements (for Certified Applicators of Restricted Use Pesticides), Worker Protection Standard, and pesticide use inspections in general. Those records also include any issues that are associated with endangered species and critical habitats, high level episodes, and water quality compromise. Because pesticide use is quite common across the economic landscape the reports also include information on inspections of non-agricultural applications, fumigations, Restricted Use

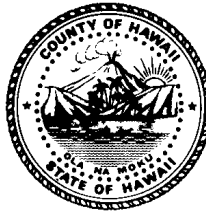


Pesticide Dealer establishments, Producer Establishment inspections, and Experimental Use Permit inspections. Because each inspection is unique the amount of time it takes to complete an investigation that stems from an inspection can vary widely. Some complaints can be resolved in a matter of hours but others, due to the scope of the investigation, can take weeks. All inspections are currently reviewed by case developers and are formerly closed if no violation is determined. For those that have suspected violations the case developers present the details for legal review in determining what type of penalty is appropriate. All of the inspections that we conduct are done under complete confidentiality. Releasing locations of the inspections could violate that confidentiality and disclose private information, not only for the one for which the complaint has been lodged but also for the complainant.

We are supportive of the increase in fines for violations of the Pesticide laws. Providing additional teeth for enforcement could be persuasive for applicators to make smart legal decisions when using pesticides if the penalty is severe enough. We are concerned that striking the language from may to "shall upon first violation be issued a warning notice" could affect our ability to go direct to the monetary penalty phases in the case of egregious pesticide use violations or high level episodes if the language mandates a warning notice on the first offense.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

REBECCA VILLEGAS
Council Member
District 7, Central Kona



PHONE: (808) 323-4267
FAX: (808) 323-4786
EMAIL: Rebecca.villegas@hawaiicounty.gov

HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL

*West Hawai'i Civic Center, Bldg. A
74-5044 Ane Keohokalole Hwy.
Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i 96740*

January 30, 2020

TESTIMONY OF REBECCA VILLEGAS COUNCIL MEMBER, HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL ON HB 2114, RELATING TO PESTICIDES

Committee on Agriculture
Friday, January 31, 2020
9:00 a.m.
Conference Room 312

Aloha Chair Creagan, and Members of the Committee:

I thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 2114, relating to pesticides. My testimony is submitted in my individual capacity as a member of the Hawai'i County Council.

The purpose of this measure will to require the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report concerning pesticide use as well as increasing fines for pesticide violations. There is a significant risk to public health and the environment when pesticide use instructions are not properly followed, including injury to non-target sensitive plants and species, drift harms to nearby farms and gardens, health injuries, short and long term contamination of soils, air, and waters. Despite these risks pesticide misuse continues. Enforcement of pesticide law, as well as timely and routine inspections and compliance of investigations of potential misuse are crucial to protect public health. There are numerous lawsuits that have occurred with individuals who have gotten ill while utilizing pesticides. To protect our residents and environment and to ensure more stringent enforcement we must require annual reports on pesticide inspections, and must increase monetary fines for pesticide violations. This is a "good step" forward, but we should look into other ways of managing state properties without utilizing harmful pesticides.

For the reasons stated above I urge the Committee on Agriculture to support this measure as well. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (808) 323-4267.

Mahalo for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Villegas".

Rebecca Villegas
Council Member, Hawai'i County Council

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 10:05:17 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nancy Redfeather	Ka Ohana O Na Pua	Support	No

Comments:

I thought a yearly report was already part of negotiated legislation from an earlier session. Reducing the total amount of pesticides used in the state over time, and creating more transparency around pesticide use should be our direction.



HAWAII PEST CONTROL ASSOCIATION

Century Square – 1188 Bishop St., Ste. 1003*Honolulu, HI 96813-3304

Telephone (808) 533-6404 • Fax (808) 533-2739

January 31, 2020

Testimony To: House Committee on Agriculture
Representative Richard P. Creagan, Chair

Presented By: Tim Lyons, CAE
Executive Director

Subject: H.B. 2114 – RELATING TO PESTICIDES.

Chair Creagan and Members of the Committee:

I am Tim Lyons, Executive Director of the Hawaii Pest Control Association, an association composed of pest control operators who perform structural pest control operations. We are opposed to this bill.

Our opposition lies in the fact that we think it is not a “balanced” bill. If it were, the annual report which contains the information called for in the bill, would call for a complete picture of the information. As an example, in item number four (4), on page three (3), information is specified as that which is the outcome of pesticide inspections including any enforcement actions taken, however it should also include those inspections where no violation was found.

Additionally, we believe there should be an item number six (6), which should read something to the effect of "[T]he benefit that each application resulted in, including the pest controlled, the damages curtailed, the adverse health effects prevented and the products or services which were saved or maintained".

We also find that the increase in the fines are drastic. The majority of pest control operators are small businesses, some which are "one man shows" or with two (2) or three (3) employees. There must be a less painful way of putting them out of business other than hitting them with a \$10,000.00 fine. The current \$5000.00 fine would be difficult enough to overcome. We realize that the language in the bill calls for "not more than" \$10,000.00 and we realize that there is language regarding considering the size of the business however, that is just general instructional language without any real structured application.

Lastly, we would have similar comments as to the increase in the fines from \$25,000.00 to \$35,000.00 and think that those are outrageous except for in the most outrageous of cases, however we don't find anything in this language that dictates a mitigation of this application.

We have also not heard of cases or situations where the current fines have been insufficient.

Based on the above, we oppose passage of this bill.

Thank you.



Progressive Democrats of Hawai'i

<http://pd-hawaii.com>

PO Box 51 Honolulu HI 96810

email: info@pd-hawaii.com

January 29, 2020

To: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
Representative Richard Creagan, Chair
Representative Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair

Re: HB 2114, **Relating to Pesticides**
Hearing: Friday, January 31, 2020, 9:00 a.m., Room 312
Position: **Strong Support**

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite, and Members of the Committee,

Progressive Democrats of Hawai'i strongly support HB 2114, which will require the Department of Agriculture to submit annual reports on pesticide use and increase fines for pesticide misuse. As the introductory section of the bill points out, there has been far too much misuse of pesticides in Hawaii, and such misuse damages the environment and the health and safety of humans.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Alan B. Burdick, Co-Chair
Progressive Democrats of Hawai'i
Burdick808@gmail.com/ 486-1018



Chair Richard Creagan
Vice Chair Lynn DeCoite

House Committee on Agriculture

Friday, January 31, 2020
9:00 AM

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB2114 RELATING TO PESTICIDES

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite, Members of the House Committee on Agriculture,

My name is Jun Shin. I am a Sophomore at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa. I am the Environmental Justice Action Committee Chair for the Young Progressives Demanding Action (YPDA). YPDA advocates for public policies that reflect the values of young people throughout the State of Hawai‘i. YPDA is in **support** of **HB2114**, Relating to Pesticides which would require the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report concerning pesticide use. Increases fines for pesticide use violations.

YPDA was a part of the coalition that supported the passage of Act 45 in 2018. One of the reasons for doing so was due to our continued dedication to our keiki and their future in our advocacy, striving to create a better world for them. It is for the sake of future generations that we need to demand further accountability and meaningful enforcement of our pesticide laws. We deserve to live in healthy communities where we don’t have to live in fear of pesticide drift.

For years now there have been incidents, notably in Kaua‘i, Maui and Moloka‘i in which toxic (and banned) pesticides have drifted into schools, communities, and even our environment in our lands and our waters. This is a serious public health issue. Article XI Section 9 of the Hawai‘i State Constitution makes it very clear that, “Each person has the right to a clean and healthful environment, as defined by laws relating to environmental quality, including control of pollution and conservation, protection and enhancement of natural resources.” These constitutional rights are not being protected and as a result, in November of 2019 we saw Monsanto now Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea

agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide Penncap-M on Maui and Molokai. This could have been avoided, and HB2114 seeks to address this.

What HB2114 is trying to do is important. In the past, pesticide fines were either not enough or were significantly reduced. Even Bayer's \$10 million plea agreement doesn't cover how much damage has already been done prior to the environment, to the community, and the field workers. Pesticide fines will be increased and to ensure the Department of Agriculture is doing their part to investigate, inspect, and enforce, they will also need to submit annual reports to the legislature.

Many other communities have successfully transitioned away from toxic pesticides to organic land management practices, we can do that by starting here with keeping violations in line. Please protect our keiki and the communities they live in. Young Progressives Demanding Action is in **support** of **HB2114**. We respectfully ask for you to pass it through your committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify,

Jun Shin,
Environmental Justice Action Committee Chair
Young Progressives Demanding Action (YPDA)
P.O. Box 11105
Honolulu, HI 96828
Cell: 808-255-6663
Email: junshinbusiness729@gmail.com
CC: action@ypdahawaii.org



P.O. Box 253, Kunia, Hawai'i 96759
Phone: (808) 848-2074; Fax: (808) 848-1921
e-mail info@hfbf.org; www.hfbf.org

January 31, 2020

HEARING BEFORE THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

**TESTIMONY ON HB 2114
RELATING TO PESTICIDES**

Room 312
9:00 AM

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite, and Members of the Committee:

I am Brian Miyamoto, Executive Director of the Hawaii Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,800 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interests of our diverse agricultural community.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau believes that this bill is unnecessary. We are also concerned about the unintended consequences of HB 2114, and offer the following comments:

- We agree that pesticides must be used properly. We also agree that stringent enforcement of the strict federal and state pesticide laws and regulations, as well as timely and routine inspections and compliance investigations of potential misuse of pesticides, are crucial to protecting public health and ensuring public confidence in the State's oversight of pesticide use.
- It is clear from the examples cited in HB 2114 that the bill is unnecessary. Complaints **are** being investigated immediately, routine inspections and investigations **are** being conducted appropriately, and severe and extraordinary fines **are** being exacted from those who violate the law.
- In addition, just last year, after working for several years with the community and the Board of Agriculture, the Department overhauled and revised its pesticide rules to be even more stringent, and nearly triple its fees.
- Requiring the Department to submit a report to the legislature on what the Pesticide Branch has accomplished in the prior year *is appropriate*. However, it is **not** appropriate to require detailed information on complaints, inspections, and

investigations prior to the closure of a case. Anyone can allege a complaint. Some complaints may be all together without merit, while others may require a protracted investigation to determine whether or not a violation has occurred.

- It would be an infringement upon the basic judicial rights of the accused *and* the complainant to publicly post complaints and investigations before determining the facts.
- Pesticide use is a fact of life worldwide, and especially in locations like Hawaii, where there are year-round insect-breeding and weed-growing seasons. Eliminating pesticides or demonizing their use ignores the reality that they can and are being used safely, and that they are very much needed to prevent human and animal diseases, to protect the watershed and other natural resources, and to safeguard crops, among other things.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



HAWAI'I CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY

~~Senate House~~ Committee on Agriculture ~~and the Environment~~

Hawai'i Center for Food Safety strongly supports: HSB2114569

Aloha e Chair ~~Creagan Gabbard~~, Vice Chair ~~Decoite Riviere~~, and members of the committee,

My name is Lauryn Rego and I am the Director for the Hawai'i Center for Food Safety (CFS). CFS is a nationwide public interest, sustainable agriculture nonprofit organization whose missions include the promotion of agricultural production methods that are beneficial to the ecosystem. We have over 950,000 farmer and consumer members across the country, including nearly 14,000 in Hawai'i. On behalf of CFS and our members, I thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony today regarding this important bill.

Formatted: Font: (Default) +Headings (Calibri)

~~My name is Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and I am with the Hawaii Center for Food Safety (CFS). CFS is a nationwide public interest, sustainable agriculture nonprofit organization whose mission centers on furthering the public's right to know how their food is produced, through labeling and other means. We have over 850,000 farmer and consumer members across the country, including nearing 10,000 in Hawai'i. On behalf of CFS and our members, I thank you for the opportunity to speak to you today regarding this important bill.~~

Commented [SW1]: still need to chek this #

Formatted: Font: (Default) +Headings (Calibri), 12 pt

CFS has been dedicated to addressing the human health and environmental impacts of our increased reliance on pesticide use in food production, both in the State of Hawai'i and nationally. We were instrumental in providing legal and communications support in the passage of numerous ordinances relating to pesticide use and disclosure, such as Kaua'i's Bill 2491 and Act 45 (Session Laws of Hawai'i 2018). Since 2014, we have worked closely with community members across the state, in all counties.

~~[Should I say something about being a lawyer, specializing in Environmental Law?]~~

Commented [SW2]: yes that would be useful.

Formatted: Font: (Default) +Headings (Calibri), 12 pt

I am writing in strong support of ~~SB2569-HB2114~~ which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations. ~~amends the existing make-up of the pesticide advisory committee to better reflect the current economy and current pesticide concerns for the state. SB2569 directs that the committee shall:~~

Formatted: Font: (Default) +Headings (Calibri), 12 pt

The study entitled "Pesticide Use by Large Agribusinesses on Kaua'i", published in May 2016 by the independent Joint Fact Finding Study Group, points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined.

Formatted: Font: (Default) +Headings (Calibri)

~~(1) Establish state standards for chronicity to account for low-level continuous exposures;~~

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

660 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Suite 302
Washington, D.C. 20003
T: 202-547-9359 F: 202-547-9429

CALIFORNIA OFFICE

303 Sacramento Street, 2nd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94111
T: 415-826-2770 F: 415-826-0507

PACIFIC NORTHWEST OFFICE

917 SW Oak Street, Suite 300
Portland, OR 97205
T: 971-271-7372 F: 971-271-7374

HAWAI'I OFFICE

1132 Bishop Street, Suite 2107
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
T: 808-681-7688

office@centerforfoodsafety.org

centerforfoodsafety.org

(2) Evaluate and recommend to the legislature specific changes to the State's pesticide laws and regulations;

— (3) Revise and expand the Kaua'i agricultural good neighbor program statewide; and

— (4) Establish a comprehensive buffer zone policy for the state.

In light of the recent history of known pesticide violations, we strongly support HB2114, which will help establish a written public record of violations, and incentivize compliance.

As the Kauai Joint Fact Finding Study group (JFFSG) determined, the regulatory framework for pesticides in the state of Hawaii fails to protect the people of our state. The JFFSG's pivotal report urges the Hawai'i Governor, State lawmakers, and several State agencies to work in collaboration to better protect residents from exposure to harmful chemicals in the air and water, and to improve the monitoring of both pesticides and chronic illnesses associated with pesticide exposure and this advisory committee will help facilitate bridge the divide between people and the agencies that are meant to protect them.

~~While we applaud the amendment to the existing pesticide advisory committee make up and mandate for the committee to address issues relating to pesticide exposure, we believe that the time for such measures has long passed. Thus, we would ask that the committee revise the current bill specifically to make the Kaua'i agricultural good neighbor program mandatory statewide within one year after the bill's passage, and for the committee to complete the bill's other mandates: establish state standards for chronicity to account for low level continuous exposures, evaluate and recommend to the legislature specific changes to the State's pesticide laws and regulations, and establish a comprehensive buffer zone policy for the State, within 3 years from the bill's passage.~~

The people of Hawai'i have the right to decide that the risks associated with the improper use of toxic pesticides in commercial agriculture are unacceptable. ~~e.g., The public and deserves access to the knowledge of such violations to~~ take action to reduce and prevent the potential negative impacts of such mis-use.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony, ~~and I am happy to provide further analysis or respond to any follow up questions from the Committee.~~

Respectfully, _____

Formatted: Font: 12 pt



Lauryn Rego
Director, Hawai'i Center for Food Safety

~~Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, J.D.~~
~~Hawaii Center for Food Safety~~

Formatted: Font: (Default) +Headings (Calibri), 12 pt

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 9:34:08 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeri Di Pietro	Hawai'i SEED	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite and members of the Committee,

We stand in strong support across the Island Chain for HB 2114. On Kaua'i, Peter Adler and the Joint Fact Finding Study Group cited several large agrichemical business incidents where pesticides illegally drifted onto adjacent land, yet the lack of data left many unanswered questions. In addition, the Waimea Canyon Middle School was evacuated in 2006 and 2008 due to the suspected use of pesticides adjacent to the school. To this day, we still sorely lack a mechanism or procedure for these types of significant incidents that are clear and dangerous violations of pesticide use law.

In addition, several very dangerous incidents have occurred where applicator errors and pesticide misuse, and illegal and improper use has occurred. The existing fines have been well below what is seen as true deterrent for the companies to come correct from the start. These large corporate users have a great deal of money, and the existing fines do not force them to put the health, safety and well being of their field workers and the community as a strong priority. The level of their wealth is not driving them to use a high level of caution to protect critical habitat for endangered species, our waterways, air and soil.

In November 2019, they were so bold as to use a banned pesticide, PennCap-M, and pled guilty to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and accepted a multi-million dollar fine. An increase in fines for pesticide violations, and improvement of illegal pesticide violation documentation is greatly needed.

Informed consent and waivers are common place in our societal services, yet none exist for the most vulnerable populations and ecosystems. We have been exposed to an unknown myriad of chemical cocktails for far too long. Please pass HB 2114. An increase in fines and documentation would be of great help to our State Department of Agriculture in helping to have the best outcome and possible prevention of illegal practices.

Thank you very much,

Jeri Di Pietro, President

Hawai'i SEED, PO Box 1177, Koloa, HI 96756

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 11:31:38 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joseph Kohn MD	We Are One, Inc. - www.WeAreOne.cc - WAO	Support	No

Comments:

Stronly support **HB2114**

There is no rational reason to pollute the 'Ä• ina. MÄ• lama pono. Make violations painful to violators.

www.WeAreOne.cc

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 4:59:27 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Anne Frederick	Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action	Support	Yes

Comments:



AMERICANS FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION

OFFICERS		DIRECTORS		MAILING ADDRESS
John Bickel, President	Melodie Aduja	Chuck Huxel	Stephen O'Harrow	P.O. Box 23404
Alan Burdick, Vice President	Juliet Begley	Jan Lubin	Lyn Pyle	Honolulu
Marsha Schweitzer, Treasurer	Ken Farm	Jenny Nomura		Hawai'i 96823
Doug Pyle, Secretary	Stephanie Fitzpatrick	Dave Nagaji		

January 29 , 2020

TO: Honorable Chair Takumi and Members of the CPC Committee

RE: HB 2114 Relating to Pesticides

Support for hearing on Jan. 31

Americans for Democratic Action is an organization founded in the 1950s by leading supporters of the New Deal and led by Patsy Mink in the 1970s. We are devoted to the promotion of progressive public policies.

We support HB 2114 as it would require the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report concerning pesticide use and increase fines for pesticide use violations. It would also require a first warning when there is a pesticide violation. It would improve incident record documentation.

Harms from pesticides should not be considered an acceptable cost of doing business. Pesticides are deleterious by nature and can be lethal. We need to do a better job of containing them.

Thank you for your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

John Bickel President



HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 8:43:17 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lana Rose Olson	Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 12:16:53 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 9:31:42 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 1:17:19 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Terez Amato Lindsey	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 2:31:37 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

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

Comments:

It is past time for us to protect our children and ourselves from these damaging products, especiallt when they are misused. Pleaes support this bill.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 2:34:10 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kelly King	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 2:54:59 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Patricia Blair	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 2:56:53 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kanani Kai	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 3:00:36 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
B.A. McClintock	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

We cannot keep ignoring our scientists and doctors. Pesticides are making everyone ill. Pesticide deniers are in the same category as Climate deniers. We need to stop listening to industries and corporations that are selling us something. Please protect our health, food, air and water from these toxics that are collecting in our blood and tissues. Please support this bill.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 3:10:00 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

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

Comments:

Hello,

My name is Nanea Lo and I am a lifelong resident of Hawai'i from the island of O'ahu. I am a master student at UH Mānoa in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning. I am writing in full support of this bill. Too often pesticide violations are considered an acceptable "cost of doing business" by large industrial operations. Pesticide violations are a threat to our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state's soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State. Please support this bill with me.

me ke aloha 'Āina,

Nanea Lo

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 3:18:34 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ruta Jordans	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

We all need more protection from pesticide drift. This bill will provide documentation of infractions - a step in the right direction. Please support!

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 3:18:58 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Karen Chun	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Drift caused me and my neighbors to be sprayed by 5 different RUP. Subsequently I became ill with diseases associated with exposure. DoA tested my interior home and confirmed the chemicals had contaminated it. That was in 2013 and DoA has DONE NOTHING re my case. We need stronger laws, disclosure and BIG, BIG FINES for overspraying/drift.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 3:39:27 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeff Fishman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Simply put, we all need to clean up our act on different levels. Our environment reflects our overall health and eliminating the actions that create toxic invasion of our bodies is essential. We need alternative, less toxic practices, and more transparency and higher penalties for pesticide violations! Now, please.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 3:56:00 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

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

Comments:

Please pass HB2114. The health of our islands and all of life upon them are at stake.

Mahalo, Sulara James

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 4:02:56 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tony Radmilovich	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

It is high time to pass this bill, please do it!

Thank you, Tony R.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 4:08:05 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tom Leonard	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 4:14:56 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

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

Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support HB2114. Because of the inherent toxicity, pesticides need to be regulated.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Andrea Quinn

Kihei

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 4:37:18 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ashley Wilcox	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 4:41:42 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

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

Comments:

Aloha. I support HB 2114 because it requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation, improving incident record documentation. DOA then must issue a fine for subsequent violations. The bill increases the fines associated with violations.

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka'i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai.

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring "stinkweed". However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark's memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

We need HB2114. Pass this bill, please.

Thank you.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 4:57:07 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John Nix	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha all,

We are all responsible for the 'Aina. We must protect all life.

We the people and you our representatives bare the responsibility for who develop cancers from these chemicals. Whether it is from direct exposure or from eating the sea food it's run off inflicts.

Why destroy so much life for a singe benefit? These chemicals do not go away - they stay and kill over and over for eternity. We have doomed our planet.

Would we not unite and rise up to survive an enemy, who would kill us all. Should we stand together now?

These pesticides KILL all life, weeds, insects, birds, bees,, livestock, pets and people, not instantly always, but over time.

The bigger we are the more it takes. And the bigger they come the bigger they fall. Cancer is now the leading cause of death in the US, one out of two people will get cancer and spend more money than they could earn in a lifetime trying to survive.

Our scientist inform us that certain chemicals cause cancer and death. However, the truth is all man made chemicals cause cancer and death. Once any research is done, every chemical will prove toxic. The chemical companies know this and oppose all testing. That is all you need to know to pass protective legislation.

We must move toward health and avoidance of danger and dangerous chemicals. We will never be able to successfully or economically treat that which could have been prevented by you.

Dr. John and Debra Nix

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 5:14:37 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
William Caron	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Representatives,

When dealing with toxic chemicals, it only makes sense to implement regulations, such as regular reporting requirements, in the interest of maintaining public health and safety. After the 2017 session, Hawai'i finally took its first important steps toward ensuring public health and safety are protected thusly. It is theredore established that these chemicals must be treated with the utmost care; that peoples' health and safety are, in fact, at risk when these chemicals are not treated with care; and that government action is required in order to gaurantee the health and safety of the public, because the chemical companies themselves have no interest in self-regulating at the level that the public demands. This bill is a natural extension of Hawai'i's new policy of putting the health and safety of its people over the profits of multinational corporations, and I applaud the legislature for continuing to make our island home safer for its people.

Mahalo!

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 5:45:18 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Wendy Gibson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice-Chair DeCoite and Members of the Committee,

Please support HB2114 to increase transparency and raise penalties for violations of pesticide use in Hawaii. As a nurse, I am concerned with the medical harms from environmental exposures, especially pesticide exposures to pregnant women and children (and other vulnerable groups). Pesticides can impair neurological development in fetuses, infants and young children.

Pesticide spray drift has affected children while they are at school. I believe the fines should be raised to reflect the true COST of doing business to the environment, children, workers and communities.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter,

Wendy Gibson R.N./BSN

Palolo

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 5:51:11 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Me	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 5:54:44 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
cheryl	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

We need to keep track of all pesticides' use on our islands. There's a "we've always done it that way mentality" It has to stop. Accountability please.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 6:04:45 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Maha Conyers	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly SUPPORT HB 2114. More transparency and higher penalties for pesticide violations are needed! HB 2114 will provide reporting and disclosure provisions for pesticide violations, such as improper or illegal pesticide uses. It will increase the maximum fines for pesticide use violations. This is an important step towards protecting our communities from toxic pesticide drift that cause irreparable harm to our people and natural resources.. Therefore pesticide use should even be outlawed in general, it is a wrong approach to agriculture and the food produced is of no value to human consumption, the soil is ruined..

Thank you for your support keeping Hawaii's resources protected.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 6:06:00 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Angela Huntmer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Chair and Committee Members,

The Department of Agriculture must prepare and submit an annual report concerning pesticide use. Fines for pesticide use violations must be increased and collected.

Thank you.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 7:11:49 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
donald erway	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately co

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 7:51:58 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kristen Simczak	St. Catherine School	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I am a teacher at St. Catherine School in Kapaa. My 6 year old daughter is a 1st grader there. I am speaking on her behalf as well as all the families attending schools on Kaua'i. The children need our help. Kauai children need more protection from the County of Kaua'i and it's use of herbicides and pesticides on the perimeter of our schools. The County has admitted to spraying on the perimeter of St. Catherine School at 9:30 am, during school hours, where children were outside playing.

we all need better protection from toxic chemicals blowing into our classrooms. Many faculty and children have been physically affected by the spraying. It is wrong, harmful and needs to STOP!

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring “stinkweed”. However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark’s memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

Please help us fight against a County that does whatever is easiest rather than what is right, just and SAFE!!!

Thank you,

Kristen Simczak

Teacher and parent, St. Catherine School

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 7:55:25 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
tlaloc tokuda	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am a voluntary member of HAPA and this is a very important bill!

HB 2114 requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation, improving incident record documentation. DOA then must issue a fine for subsequent violations. The bill increases the fines associated with violations.

Why this Bill is Needed – The poison industry (Chemical Ag companies) have a long history of violating our lax Hawaiian laws! Here is a list of Recent Major Violations

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka'i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring "stinkweed". However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark's memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

So it is clear that the DOA is not following its own mandate to protect 'we the people' from the Chemical corps. So HB2114 will be a thorn in the chemicals side. Please protect 'we the people' by passing this law and show what side you're on ours or theirs!

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 7:58:24 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Val Hertzog	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As an Educator in the state of Hawaii, I support HB2114.

Pesticide violations are a threat to our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state's soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State.

HB 2114 requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation, improving incident record documentation. DOA then must issue a fine for subsequent violations. The bill increases the fines associated with violations.

This bill is needed due to recent major violations:

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka'i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked

with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring "stinkweed". However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark's memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

As an Educator who teaches your keiki on the island of Kauai, I support HB2114. There is a need for strict regulations for pesticide use and violations for those who do not follow the restrictions.

On December 11, 2019 the county of Kauai sprayed Ranger Pro at 9:20am on Hauaala Road next to St. Catherine School where I teach. We were in session at the time and the children went to recess at 9:30am. The county replied back to me by saying "The County of Kaua'i made the decision to spray this location due to the fact the kids playground is on the opposite side of the campus. We would not spray an area that is actively occupied by the kids. "

Our classrooms are closer to the road where they sprayed. Many staff and children were sick including myself. Our administrators should have been notified that they were going to spray a harmful pesticide that contains glyphosate which is known to cause cancer. In addition, the county never responded to me when I asked how many times a year they spray Hauaala Road.

I strongly support HB2114 for all humans, animals and our environment.

Mahalo,

Val Hertzog

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:14:30 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Julie Stowell	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:22:31 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Randy Ching	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite and members of the committee,

I support HB2114. Please pass it. Mahalo.

Randy Ching

Honolulu (makikirandy@yahoo.com)

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:28:59 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sherry Pollack	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:33:28 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David Mulinix	Our Revolution Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:36:57 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joan Heartfield PhD	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Big Companies paying their way out of poisoning our islands is no longer acceptable. How do you compensate someone who gets Parkinson or some other disease because of pesticide poisoning? Is money going to pay for poisoning the soil?

Too often pesticide violations are considered an acceptable "cost of doing business" by large industrial operations. Pesticide violations are a threat to our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state's soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State.

There have been many violations including As recently as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka'i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:40:13 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tina Taniguchi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I grew up in waimea and always felt concern about those ashes that fell on our heads as they burnt the cane fields. I cannot imagine that as they spray those same fields today that chemicals are not falling on the heads of today's keiki. I am all for restricting spraying near schools, homes, etc. I also believe if fines were higher there would be more precaution in place by those using pesticides. The harm is undeniable and easily prevented.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:47:48 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
brad williamson	st. catherine school	Support	No

Comments:

I am a 20 year teacher at St. Catherine School in Kapaa. I am speaking on behalf of myself and as well as all the families and staff attending schools on Kaua'i. The children need our help. Kauai children need more protection from the County of Kaua'i and it's use of herbicides and pesticides on the perimeter of our schools. The County has admitted to spraying on the perimeter of St. Catherine School [at 9:30 am](#), during school hours, where children were outside playing.

we all need better protection from toxic chemicals blowing into our classrooms. Many faculty and children have been physically affected by the spraying. It is wrong, harmful and needs to STOP!

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring

“stinkweed”. However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark’s memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

Please help us fight against a County that does whatever is easiest rather than what is right, just and SAFE!!!

Thank you,

Brad Williamson

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 8:57:59 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michelle Cabalse	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 9:04:07 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marion McHenry	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support this bill. Hawaii needs more transparency and higher penalties for pesticide and herbicide use violations to protect our keiki and the general public. Homes and farmers need protections from pesticide drift. Please pass this bill.

Mahalo,

Marion McHenry

Kauai

Aloha Committee members,

It is with great urgency I write this testimony in support of HB 2114. I am a beekeeper in Waialua and am very concerned about pesticide drift, as well as improper and accidental use of pesticides. My bee hives are just up the hill from some of the seed companies who spray crops to test their formulas. Bees fly up to 5 miles from their hives so my bees are vulnerable to pesticides sprayed on the local farmland, state land, and private property. I have experienced bee hive loss and am very worried if something is not done to deter improper pesticide usage, I can expect more of the same. HB 2114 protects the bees we need to sustain life! 1/3 of the food we eat is made possible by pollination by bees!

What's more, our keiki are at risk of pesticide drift! That should be reason alone to pass this bill and insist pesticide misuse be punished. As you know HB 2114 requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation and improve incident record documentation. Of course the increased fines for violations pursuant of HB 2114 should make an impact as well. Pesticides seep into our groundwater, they are carried by trade winds, and they linger in our environment harming non-target insects, plants, animals and people. We need protection! Please pass HB 2114! Mahalo

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 9:32:38 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Margie Anderson	St. Catherine School Kauai	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

My daughter attends St. Catherine School in Kapaa and I am a teacher there as well, another daughter is at Island School, Lihue. Ages 10 and 12. While I have two children attending school, I consider every student and staff family and care for all our well being.

I am speaking for our school and for each communities' school on Kauai collectively. These children need and deserve our help. Kauai children are in desperate need for protection from the County of Kaua'i and it's negligent use of herbicides and pesticides on the perimeter of our schools. The County has admittedly sprayed the perimeter of St. Catherine School during school hours, while children were outside playing.

In addition to protection in the vicinity of our outside play areas, we are in need of better protection from toxic chemicals blowing into our classrooms. Many faculty and children have been physically affected by the spraying. Having asthma, I personally noticed a change in my health which subsequently happened at the same time as the spraying admittedly happened. It is wrong, harmful and needs to STOP!

I was advised of the facts listed below and am in shock that the island of Kauai allowed things like this to occur on precious land near precious children. These instances seem more along the lines of mainland greed stories you hear of on national news and thank God that you are lucky enough to live somewhere outside that ignorant, one track greed driven mindset:

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined a mere \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers affecting their health. Although an

investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring "stinkweed". However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark's memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

It is dissappointing to know these instances occured without sufficient follow through or consequence.

Please, please, please help our children!

Thank you,

Margie Anderson

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/29/2020 10:43:31 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
L. Osterer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I live on Kauai, where we have been severely impacted by GMO development using pesticides. I strongly SUPPORT HB 2114. We need more transparency and higher penalties for pesticide violations! It is outrageous that pesticide violations are considered an acceptable "cost of doing business". These businesses are so big that the fines do not change them breaking the law. I recommend much higher fines increasing with each offense. After all, once they have been warned, there is no excuse. There has been evidence of illegal pesticide use on Kauai, as well as atrazine found in the water table. These companies did not even protect their own workers, some of whom won lawsuits for serious health effects.

GMO research should never have been allowed in the open fields. If continued, they should be isolated to greenhouses and the surroundings monitored for contamination. These companies can afford it. The laws need to be updated, transparent and enforced to protect people. Without it, the long term effects are bound to be compounded and perhaps irreversible. No one knows how much it will cost to correct the environmental damages, or if it can even be done, once these chemicals are in our water, soil and the ocean. Much more needs to be done to curb the misuse of pesticides. Isn't that why these substances are supposed to be controlled?

Thank you for considering this important bill at this time.

L. Osterer, Koloa, Kauai resident and registered voter.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 1:54:19 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
J Ashman	Individual	Comments	No

Comments:

Should the public really be notified every time a neighbor makes a complaint about something before it's even investigated and the facts are known? That's what this bill does with regard to calls about chemical odors.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 6:50:09 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Klayton Kubo	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 8:40:23 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Koohan Paik	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I have a compromised immune system. Pesticides in the environment make me easily sick.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 8:49:53 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bonnie Morgan	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Too often pesticide violations are considered an acceptable “cost of doing business” by large industrial operations. Pesticide violations are a threat to our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state’s soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State.

What this Bill Does

HB 2114 requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation, improving incident record documentation. DOA then must issue a fine for subsequent violations. The bill increases the fines associated with violations.

Why this Bill is Needed – Recent Major Violations

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka‘i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

In 2018 (on Kaua‘i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua‘i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua‘i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring “stinkweed”. However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark’s memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: jlee@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joanna Lee <jlee@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:32 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Joanna Lee
1111 Nuuanu Ave Ste 210 Honolulu, HI 96817-5183

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: carolynngrif@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Carolynn Griffith
<carolynngrif@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:34 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Carolynn Griffith
83 Nawiliwili St Honolulu, HI 96825-2136

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: gpuppione@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Gregory Puppione
<gpuppione@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:36 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Gregory Puppione
563 Kamoku St # A-5 Honolulu, HI 96826-5245

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: lmiddlet4@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Linda Middleton <lmiddlet4@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:36 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Linda Middleton
2439 Holomua Pl Apt A Honolulu, HI 96816-6182

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: vinayakeha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Vinayak Vinayak
<vinayakeha@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:49 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Vinayak Vinayak
143 Pauloa Pl # A Kihei, HI 96753-8990

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: vinayakeha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Vinayak Vinayak
<vinayakeha@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:49 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Vinayak Vinayak
143 Pauloa Pl # A Kihei, HI 96753-8990

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: mark@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mark Damon
<mark@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:57 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Mark Damon
150 Pulehunui Rd Kula, HI 96790-9718

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: m2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Marilyn Mick <m2@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:05 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Mick
3773 Kanaina Ave Apt 207 Honolulu, HI 96815-4406

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: uluusrf@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of brett gobar
<uluusrf@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:13 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
brett gobar
792065 PO Paia, HI 96779

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: dave@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of David Klein
<dave@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:18 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
David Klein
1493 W Kuiaha Rd Haiku, HI 96708-5525

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: recoverthis99@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Cecilia Reilly <recoverthis99@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:26 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Cecilia Reilly
100 Kane Rd Haiku, HI 96708-5828

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: jennahia@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Noelani Ahia
<jennahia@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:32 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Noelani Ahia
1949 Kahekili Hwy Wailuku, HI 96793-9202

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: dudley@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Walter Dudley
<dudley@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:49 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Walter Dudley
28 -3004 Andrade Rd Pepeekeo, HI 96783-8403

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: lauraramirez87@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Laura Ramirez <lauraramirez87@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:04 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections
Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Laura Ramirez
4510 Kawaihau Rd Kapaa, HI 96746-1922

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: barbrick@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Barbara Nosaka
<barbrick@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:06 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Barbara Nosaka
2216 Hoonanea St Honolulu, HI 96822-2427

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: kaui@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kauai Pratt-Aquino
<kau@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:18 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Kauai Pratt-Aquino
45 -735 Wainana St Kaneohe, HI 96744-2843

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: nancyhaag@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Nancy Haag
<nancyhaag@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:18 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Nancy Haag
981 Kupulau Dr Kihei, HI 96753-9232

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: mauizoe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Zoe Alexander
<mauizoe@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:19 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Zoe Alexander
222 Peahi Rd Haiku, HI 96708-5446

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: nickelsav@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Nicole Vermejo
<nickelsav@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:19 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Nicole Vermejo
6215 Keokea Pl Honolulu, HI 96825-1263

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: auntyloke@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Janice Keihanaikukauakahihulihe-
<auntyloke@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:27 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Janice Keihanaikukauakahihulihe-
PO Box 6915 Ocean View, HI 96737-6915

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: jdancer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Naylor
<jdancer@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:49 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
John Naylor
PO Box 1749 Makawao, HI 96768-1749

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: jen.mather@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jennifer Mather
<jen.mather@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:50 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Mather
441 Dickenson St Lahaina, HI 96761-1449

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: haenagirl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of TERESA TICO
<haenagirl@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:56 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
TERESA TICO
PO Box 220 Hanalei, HI 96714-0220

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: dollimou@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Suzanna Chapides
<dollimou@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:01 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Suzanna Chapides
PO Box 3251 Astoria, NY 11103-0251

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: malamaourworld@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of David Sutton
<malamaourworld@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:03 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
David Sutton
7561 Koolau Rd Kilauea, HI 96754-5579

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: helmut@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Helmut Klauer
<helmut@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:06 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Helmut Klauer
PO Box 2208 Pahoa, HI 96778-2201

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: ksorr8@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Katherine Orr <ksorr8@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:13 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Katherine Orr
44 -119 Bayview Haven Pl Kaneohe, HI 96744-2502

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: bobbi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Bobbi Misiti
<bobbi@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:17 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Bobbi Misiti
1214 W Kuiaha Rd Haiku, HI 96708-5520

From: joan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joan Levy <joan@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:15 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Joan Levy
PO Box 160 Kapaa, HI 96746-0160

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: audrey262@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Audrey Alvarez <audrey262@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:30 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Audrey Alvarez
1829 Makiki St Apt 3 Honolulu, HI 96822-3268

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: kealelani@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lory Ono
<kealelani@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:39 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Lory Ono
44 -022 Nohokai Pl Kaneohe, HI 96744-2543

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: alkalinelilac@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Anne Kazlauskas
<alkalinelilac@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:44 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Anne Kazlauskas
99 Bow St # 1 Arlington, MA 02474-2722

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: NParesa76@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Noelani Paresa <NParesa76@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 9:53 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Noelani Paresa
396 Kahoolawe St Kahului, HI 96732-2812

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: mkassel137@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Misha Kassel <mkassel137@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 10:29 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure. As an emergency medicine physician and father of two young girls it is imperative the state starts to err on side of caution and protect the public over profits of big ag companies and poisoning our chicken and land

Sincerely,
Misha Kassel
77 -6266 Kaumalumu Dr. Honolulu, HI 96725-9757

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: manera_makaha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Keke Manera
<manera_makaha@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 10:49 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Keke Manera
1103 Apoepoe Pl Pearl City, HI 96782-1238

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: hawaiiidhr@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of David Johnston
<hawaiiidhr@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 11:46 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
David Johnston
153 Halona St Kihei, HI 96753-8523

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: cherubbliss@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Cherub SILVERSTEIN
<cherubbliss@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 5:43 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Cherub SILVERSTEIN
48 Kamana St Hilo, HI 96720-7214

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: streamgirlll@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mary True
<streamgirlll@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 6:11 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Mary True
PO Box 1020 Pepeekeo, HI 96783-1020

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: mokuroots@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alexa Caskey
<mokuroots@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 6:41 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

There is undeniable evidence linking the use of these chemicals with a number of birth defects and health problems and it is the only responsibility of law makers to protect citizens, from avoidable harms like these and others.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

And these big corporations shouldn't continue to get away with poisoning our land and people with absolutely no consequences.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Alexa Caskey
74 S Lauhoe Pl Lahaina, HI 96761-5739

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: tasiay@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Tasia Yamamura
<tasiay@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 8:50 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Tasia Yamamura
84 -203 Water St Waianae, HI 96792-1839

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: dimsummaui@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lisa a Darcy
<dimsummaui@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 8:54 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Lisa a Darcy
PO Box 1105 Makawao, HI 96768-1105

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: barbaratravis@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Barb Travis
<barbaratravis@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 9:04 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Barb Travis
91 -999 Laaulu St Ewa Beach, HI 96706-3863

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 8:59:44 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Fern Anuenue Holland	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

Please support and strengthen this measure. Make the fines match the crimes and hold violators accountable. Mahalo!

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 9:00:06 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tamlyn Kauai	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

Aloha,

My Name is Tamlyn Kauai and I am a resident of the island of Kauai. My comments are directed to the Committee on Agriculture. Notice of hearing is on Friday January 31, 2020 at 9 a.m. in Conference Room 312 State Capitol on Oahu. I just found out about this Bill, I wish I had more time to write, hopefully this will make a positive impact.

I am submitting my written testimony in support of HB2114 RELATING TO PESTICIDES which requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report concerning pesticide use. Increase fines for pesticide use violations.

1. was unfortunately innocently directly exposed due to the misuse/handling of a combination mixture of toxic restricted pesticide chemicals. Today, continue to live with the detrimental health effects of these very toxic chemicals which affects human, animals our environment and eco-system. Despite all of the warnings, studies, the thousands of testimonies that have already been shared to stop this madness, some how the bills continue to be passed.

As noted in the bill, despite the risks mentioned in HB2114 first paragraph, "pesticide misuse has, and continues to, occur within the State."

I was born and raised on the Beautiful Island of Kauai. I remember and recall the days we were able to drink the water right out of our streams. Our family friends were and still today are Kalo Farmers in Hanalei.

As a child I remember harvesting the Kalo, watching how the Kupuna would grab buckets of fresh running water out of the stream filling the large container which sat on the open fire to cook the Kalo in preparation of making poi. After the Kalo was cooked, it was cleaned then put on an old Model T which my father helped to convert to be a poi machine. The water was scooped right of the stream which was next to the grinder. The water was used as the Kalo was going through the machine. The combination of the fresh water and Kalo which went through the grinder a couple of time created Poi. These memory is just a glimpse of how pure our Hawaiian eco systems were. Aloha Aina is what was practiced for thousand of years and was carried on through the generations.

Today, this island is very TOXIC and we need to STOP the madness. I continue to have health issues which has completely changed who I am and my life. There are innocent people who don't know why they have fallen ill, there are many ill people, many with cancers and other health issues which is caused by these Harmful, Deadly, Toxic Chemicals. We need to first and foremost protect our future generation our Keiki's, our Kupuna's and all who reside in Hawaii. It is our Kuleana to take care of our people and our Aina. We all need to Do the Right Thing.

Thank you for taking the time to create HB2114. It is my hope that everyone who has the power to vote will vote in support of HB2114.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 10:31:38 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John Teschner	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support this bill. It is clear that pesticide drift poses a health impact, particularly to my friends on Kauai's westside. Proper monitoring is a reasonable and necessary expectation.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 11:34:47 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shannon Rudolph	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Strongly Support!

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: buffanblue@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Julia Fujioka
<buffanblue@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 11:47 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Julia Fujioka
99 -826 Halawa Dr Aiea, HI 96701-3144

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Joseph@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joseph Kohn MD
<Joseph@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 11:39 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Stronly support HB2114

There is no rational reason to pollute the 'āina. Mālama pono. Make violations painful to violators.

www.WeAreOne.cc

Sincerely,
Joseph Kohn MD
493 Pio Dr Apt 209 Wailuku, HI 96793-2641

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Mary Lacques <hokuokekai50@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 8:41 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: Testimony in STRONG SUPPORT OF HB 2114

Categories: Blue Category

Aloha Chair Creagan, Vice Chair DeCoite and Members of the Committee,

My name is Mary Lacques and I am a resident of Haleiwa and am a volunteer with Hawai'i SEED.

I am submitting testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of the much needed and long overdue HB 2114, which would increase fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

As you are aware, the following incidents and violations are noted within the language of HB 2114, but I think the serious nature and blatant disregard for the residents, visitors and ecosystems of Hawai'i warrants repeating, especially in light of the most recent revelations from the Monsanto Maui settlement, just two months ago, in which the company was found guilty of knowingly and deliberately using, transporting and storing a banned pesticide at its South Maui, Maalaea and Kaunakakai facilities.

Monsanto admitted in the court documents that it used Penncap-M, even though the company knew its use was prohibited after 2013 pursuant to an order issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The company further admitted that, after the 2014 spraying, it told employees to re-enter the sprayed fields seven days later, even though Monsanto knew that workers should have been prohibited from entering the area for 31 days.

On Kauai, in 2018, a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

Also on Kauai, in 2016 and 2017, Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the EPA initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000. Not mentioned in HB 2114 is that here on O'ahu, in May of 2017, a former employee of Waialua's DuPont Pioneer operations alleged in a lawsuit that the company dangerously mishandled herbicides, potentially exposing the Waialua community. The lawsuit alleged that the company sprayed its fields even on days when the winds exceeded safety rules. Pioneer's former Waialua farm is adjacent to Waialua High and Intermediate School and a nearby subdivision.

This commonsense bill is a good step towards keeping farmworkers, keiki and kūpuna, Hawai'i's communities and ecosystems protected from the improper uses of toxic pesticides- particularly from drift-prone chemicals like XtendiMax, Monsanto's version of dicamba, an old and highly drift-prone weedkiller.

Sincerely,

Mary Lacques

P.O. Box 14

Haleiwa HI 96712

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Natalie Brown <natalie@nataliebrownphotography.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 9:52 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: HB 2114 support

Categories: Blue Category

Aloha from Maui,

I strongly support HB 2114 because I am in fear of my children not having a full life because of health issues due to pesticide exposure. One was born in Kihei Maui and the next in Paia Maui. We have been dealing with gut permeability issues since we've moved to Maui and I am worried about my children's health and future.

Having due process and a reasonable way to deal with exposure to pesticides is not much to ask. In my opinion these companies should be put out of business for endangering human life on a consistent basis.

But God forbid there be a bug in your salad or some weeds on the side of the road, so pesticides persist. At least give us some warning before you're going to poison us.

Sincerely,

Natalie Norberg

--

Natalie

808-344-3843

www.nataliebrownphotography.com

[INSTAGRAM](#)

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: alkalinelilac@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Anne Kazlauskas
<alkalinelilac@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:44 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Anne Kazlauskas
99 Bow St # 1 Arlington, MA 02474-2722

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Drew Cohick <dcohick@st-catherineschool.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:32 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: Stop spraying pesticide on our island

Categories: Blue Category

To whom ever it may concern at our honorable Hawaii state capital,

This email may serve as documented support for HB2114 by a Hawaii state registered voter. Please please please do the honorable thing and pass this bill. An increase in fines may serve as a deterrent for commercial and/or personal use of harmful neurotoxic pesticides.

Our island of Kauai is windy, and you cannot contain ANY spray applied pesticides. Therefore we do not know the extent of the application of these harmful chemicals. It is well documented that these pesticides are harmful to our children. It is also well documented that it continually gets sprayed within the vicinity of schools, homes, and public places.

Imagine a world where the government did what was right and acted on behalf of the greater good of all the people? This radical idea seems to be becoming less and less of a reality. Perhaps you could be a part of reversing that trend? What will this legislatures legacy be?

Act now and do the right thing. Vote yes on HB2114.

Respectfully yours,
Drew Cohick
Citizen, teacher and father

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: mak221@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:04 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: STRONGLY SUPPORT HB2114

Categories: Blue Category

Who could possibly support pesticide drift? None of this committee, I hope.

Mark Koppel
Umauma

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Patricia Blair <patriciablair@msn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 2:52 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: Absolute support for HB 2114

Categories: Blue Category

Can there be any doubt that pesticides should be controlled, reported?
Patricia Blair, Kailua
Sent from my iPad

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: daegnut@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of James Long
<daegnut@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:42 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations. I find this issue increasingly and highly important.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

As a longtime organic gardener in Hawaii, I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
James Long
PO Box 290 Naalehu, HI 96772-0290

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: lurline94510@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lurline Bettencourt <lurline94510@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:05 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Lurline Bettencourt
4510 Kawaihau Rd Kapaa, HI 96746-1922

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: jen.mather@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jennifer Mather
<jen.mather@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:50 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Mather
441 Dickenson St Lahaina, HI 96761-1449

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: laurenelaide721@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lauren Ampolos
<laurenelaide721@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 6:27 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Lauren Ampolos
415 Dairy Rd Ste E323 Kahului, HI 96732-2348

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: avisuz@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Susanne Kiriathy
<avisuz@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:55 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

We are poisoning our earth, our food & we the people!
BLESSINGS for all who really care *TOGETHER*!

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Susanne Kiriathy
PO Box 791265 Paia, HI 96779-1265

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: begoniabarry@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Barbara Barry
<begoniabarry@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:38 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

After learning about the alleged Paraquat exposure for a State Extension Agent and farm workers at the Mahi Pono Farms in early January, I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Barbara Barry
1220 W Kuiaha Rd Haiku, HI 96708-5520

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: ss@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Steven Slater <ss@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:09 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I'm a strong supporter of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations.

It is absolutely incredible that there is currently a fine of \$20,000 for the crime of renting your house out for one day without a vacation rental permit. After years of minuscule fines for growth environmental damage by our corporate neighbors, it is about time to look out for the welfare of people instead of These corporation who garnish favor with their campaign donations and rewards of future jobs.

Sincerely,
Steven Slater
55 E Waipio Rd Haiku, HI 96708-5725

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: nix@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Nix <nix@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:51 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

We are all responsible for the 'Aina. We must protect all life.

We the people and you our representatives bare the responsibility for who develop cancers from these chemicals. Whether it is from direct exposure or from eating the sea food it's run off inflicts.

Why destroy so much life for a singe benefit? These chemicals do not go away - they stay and kill over and over for eternity. We have doomed our planet.

Would we not unite and rise up to survive an enemy, who would kill us all. Should we stand together now?

These pesticides KILL all life, weeds, insects, birds, bees,, livestock, pets and people, not instantly always, but over time.

The bigger we are the more it takes. And the bigger they come the bigger they fall. Cancer is now the leading cause of death in the US, one out of two people will get cancer and spend more money than they could earn in a lifetime trying to survive.

Our scientist inform us that certain chemicals cause cancer and death. However, the truth is all man made chemicals cause cancer and death. Once any research is done, every chemical will prove toxic. The chemical companies know this and oppose all testing. That is all you need to know to pass protective legislation.

We must move toward health and avoidance of danger and dangerous chemicals. We will never be able to successfully or economically treat that which could have been prevented by you.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
John Nix

PO Box 808 Kihei, HI 96753-0808

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: louisessimrell@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Louise Simrell
<louisessimrell@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:10 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

Because I chose to make Hawaii my home over 30 years ago and believe we deserve healthy food, I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Louise Simrell
44 -155 Paauhau St Honokaa, HI 96727-6803

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: info@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Debra Nix <info@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:52 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

We are all responsible for the 'Aina. We must protect all life.

We the people and you our representatives bare the responsibility for who develop cancers from these chemicals. Whether it is from direct exposure or from eating the sea food it's run off inflicts.

Why destroy so much life for a singe benefit? These chemicals do not go away - they stay and kill over and over for eternity. We have doomed our planet.

Would we not unite and rise up to survive an enemy, who would kill us all. Should we stand together now?

These pesticides KILL all life, weeds, insects, birds, bees,, livestock, pets and people, not instantly always, but over time.

The bigger we are the more it takes. And the bigger they come the bigger they fall. Cancer is now the leading cause of death in the US, one out of two people will get cancer and spend more money than they could earn in a lifetime trying to survive.

Our scientist inform us that certain chemicals cause cancer and death. However, the truth is all man made chemicals cause cancer and death. Once any research is done, every chemical will prove toxic. The chemical companies know this and oppose all testing. That is all you need to know to pass protective legislation.

We must move toward health and avoidance of danger and dangerous chemicals. We will never be able to successfully or economically treat that which could have been prevented by you.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Debra Nix
PO Box 808 Kihei, HI 96753-0808

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: dspitzrealtor@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Danielle Spitz
<dspitzrealtor@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 7:35 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

Aloha. I am a Hawai'i Island resident writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Mahalo for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Sincerely,
Danielle Spitz
62 -2482 Anekona Pl Kamuela, HI 96743-7792

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Dr. Jo Stroud <docstroud@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 5:39 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: in support of HB 2114!

Please pass HB 2114. The language could be stronger, no first warning but immediate fines with repeat violations being fine at increased levels.

We don't have much time to save our people from the sickness and disease caused by pesticides. We must act now for a better Hawai'i and future for the generations to come.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jo C. Stroud
Makaha

Sent from Dr. Jo's iPhone

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Ginger Otto <gotto@st-catherineschool.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 8:46 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: Testimony

HB2114

I am writing in favor of Bill HB2114.

I am the Preschool Director and teacher at St. Catherine School on Kauai . We operate 7-5 , 5 days a week for over 40 Preschool students. We are also part of a larger campus of 100 more students . On more than one occasion we have discovered the county sprayed toxic weed killer within close approximation to our school DURING school hours . This is absolutely un acceptable and must stop!

--

Sent from Gmail Mobile

decoite2 - Aurielle


From: Sylvia Cabral <sylviacabralmaui@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 4:13 PM
To: AAMaliakalu Hessler; a; syl
Cc: AGRtestimony
Subject: Re: Protect Our Communities from Pesticide Drift - Support HB 2114!


please stop spraying the islands, caustic chemicals in the trillion range, chemicals used in war causing damage to ground waters, plant life, humans.
Send email support HB 2114 BEFORE TOMORROW. stop pesticides

Here's how you can help:

- Show up and provide oral testimony in SUPPORT of HB 2114 this Friday at the State Capitol in Honolulu, House Conference Room # 312 at 9 a.m.
- . Testimony submitted will also be accepted at: AGRtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

On Wed, Jan 29, 2020 at 2:28 PM Hawai'i Alliance for Progressive Action (HAPA) <action@hapahi.org> wrote:

Right-click here to download pictures. To help protect your privacy, Outlook prevented automatic download of this picture from the Internet.

Right-click here to download pictures. To help protect your privacy, Outlook prevented automatic download of this picture from the Internet.

Aloha sylvia,

We need your help to protect our communities from pesticide drift!

Join us at the **State Capitol on Friday, Jan 31st 2020** for the hearing of HB 2114 in the House Agriculture Committee (**9AM House Conference Room #312**), submit written testimony by tomorrow morning in SUPPORT of HB 2114.

If passed, HB 2114 will provide reporting and disclosure provisions for pesticide violations, such as improper or illegal pesticide uses. It will increase the maximum fines for pesticide use violations. This is an important step towards protecting our communities from toxic

pesticide drift. We strongly SUPPORT HB 2114. We need more transparency and higher penalties for pesticide violations!

Here's how you can help:

- Show up and provide oral testimony in SUPPORT of HB 2114 this Friday at the State Capitol in Honolulu, House Conference Room # 312 at 9AM
- [Submit testimony](#) in SUPPORT of HB 2114 via the Hawai'i State Capitol Portal. Testimony submitted via the Capitol website is preferred, however will also be accepted at: AGRtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

Background & Details:

Too often pesticide violations are considered an acceptable “cost of doing business” by large industrial operations. Pesticide violations are a threat to our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state's soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State.

What this Bill Does

HB 2114 requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation, improving incident record documentation. DOA then must issue a fine for subsequent violations. The bill increases the fines associated with violations.

Why this Bill is Needed – Recent Major Violations

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka'i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true

costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring "stinkweed". However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark's memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

Please take a moment to submit testimony in support of HB 2114!

How to Submit Testimony on the Capitol Website:

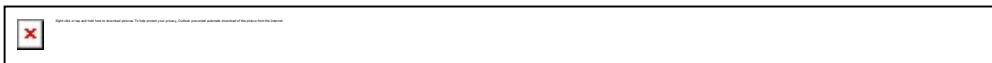
If you haven't registered for an account on the State Capitol website, it's really easy. Just go to [this link](#) to get started. To submit testimony:

1. Log in at [this page](#)
2. Click on the orange icon to "Submit Testimony"
3. Enter "HB2114" in the "Enter Bill or Measure" box
4. Fill out the page. Feel free to cut and paste from this email. Click "SUPPORT"
5. After you click "Submit," HB2114 should appear on the left side of the page in green

Mahalo for taking action!

In Solidarity,

The HAPA Team



Donate to Support HAPA's work!



Facebook



Twitter



www.HAPAhi.org

Copyright © 2020 Hawaii Alliance for Progressive Action, All rights reserved.
You are receiving this email because you opted in at our website.

Our mailing address is:

Hawaii Alliance for Progressive Action
PO Box 1534
Kapaa, HI 96746

[Add us to your address book](#)

[unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)



decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Eleni Cameron <solartstudios@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2020 3:55 PM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: Support of 2114

Please pass Bill 2114. Pesticide violations are a threat to our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state's soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State. Please help us mitigate this threat. Thank you

Aloha,
Eleni Cameron

Sol Art Studios

POB 737
Anahola H.I. 96703

www.solartstudios.com

808-645-1388

Sent from my iPhone

decoite2 - Aurielle

From: Joseph@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joseph Kohn MD
<Joseph@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 11:39 AM
To: AGRtestimony
Subject: In support of HB 2114 to strengthen pesticide protections

Categories: Blue Category

Dear Department of Agriculture Testimony,

I am writing in strong support of HB 2114 which increases fines for pesticide use violations and requires the Department of Agriculture to prepare and submit an annual report detailing these violations.

The Kaua'i Joint Fact Finding Study group determined that the State's regulation of pesticides has failed to protect our residents. The report urges the State to protect us from exposure to pesticides and to do a better job of monitoring their use. The 2016 report points out the need for more timely pesticide inspections and compliance investigations, as well as better reporting on the results of pesticide inspections and investigations. According to the same study, the use of drift-prone pesticides should be more strictly monitored through inspections and proven violators should be fined. The recent track record of pesticide violations in the State highlight the importance of having better oversight of potential pesticide violations. Pesticide violations occur frequently in the State, at significant cost to our residents and the environment.

I also support the HB2114 for increasing the monetary fines for violators, making warnings mandatory, and making those records available publicly. The time for action is now. The people of Hawai'i have the right to live free from the fear that industry will harm their health and safety.

I urge you to support HB 2114. Thank you kindly for considering my testimony in strong support of the measure.

Stronly support HB2114

There is no rational reason to pollute the 'āina. Mālama pono. Make violations painful to violators.

www.WeAreOne.cc

Sincerely,
Joseph Kohn MD
493 Pio Dr Apt 209 Wailuku, HI 96793-2641

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 1:40:23 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melia Leslie	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Too often pesticide violations are considered an acceptable “cost of doing business” by large industrial operations. Pesticide violations are a threat to our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state’s soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State.

What this Bill Does

HB 2114 requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation, improving incident record documentation. DOA then must issue a fine for subsequent violations. The bill increases the fines associated with violations.

Why this Bill is Needed – Recent Major Violations

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka‘i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

In 2018 (on Kaua‘i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua‘i. The fine grossly underfunds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua‘i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring “stinkweed”. However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark’s memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 2:31:45 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lori Nakamura-Higa	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Thursday, Jan. 30, 2020

Aloha! Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

I STRONGLY SUPPORT HB2114

Mahalo and kind regards



Testimony from Jeff Case, Senior Director Government Affairs, CropLife America

Offering Comments on HB 2114 Relating to Pesticides

Friday, January 31, 9 am, room 312

House Committee on Agriculture

Aloha Chair Creagan and members of the committees,

CropLife America (CLA) is the national association representing manufacturers, formulators, and distributors of pesticides products used in agriculture production. We support and promote scientific-based policy in the regulation of pesticide products at both the state and federal level. We offer comments on HB 2114.

CLA defers to the State Department of Agriculture (DOA) on their capacity to comply with the reporting mandates in HB 2114. However, we share concerns with many industry supporters that this would be another administrative burden on a department facing staff shortages and would take away valuable resources from the actual work needed to investigate and evaluate challenges facing farmers.

We also believe and trust in the DOA and their staff to ensure public health and safety and especially the health and safety of farmers. But we are additionally concerned about the increase in fines and the potential for unintended consequences on all farmers. Farmers face a number of challenges and struggle economically to stay in business. We fear this another hammer on their livelihoods and their ability to address Hawaii's food security issues.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide comments.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 4:39:35 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Phaethon Keeney	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please protect Hawaii's workers and communities from profit driven companies who are cutting corners with the use of dangerous chemicals. There is no room for error with many Pesticides, our health, and the planet's depends on safe handling (and reduction in unnecessary use of) pesticides, oversight of these operations and penalties for violations have historically been ineffective in protecting the people of Hawaii. We need outside verifiable accountability and stronger penalties to move the dial in the right direction. Mahalo!

Phaethon Keeney

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 5:32:13 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Blake WAtson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable House,

As a parent who witnessed my 6 year old son and many of his school mates be sent home for several days due to fallig ill from a pesticide drift event next to Mountain View School, Hawaii Island, I believe any step creating a record and some form of accountability for mis-use of pesticides is a very good thing. Please support HB 2114.

Mahalo nui,

Blake Watson

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 6:46:55 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mike Moran	Kihei Community Association	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair and committee members,

Sometimes fines are just an accpetd cost of doing what an entity wants, unless the fines are sizable. Lets see what higher cost will do to effect change. Then lets track the violators to see if greater cost has the desired effect. That is what this bill will do

Please support the bill. Mahalo,

Mike Moran for KCA

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 8:46:54 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michaelle Edwards	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

We need better regulation of pesticide drift in the islands. Also accountability for what is being sprayed and how much. The companies breaking the law need to be held accountable and the people especially the keikis protected.

HB 2114 requires the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to issue a first warning whenever there is a pesticide violation, improving incident record documentation. DOA then must issue a fine for subsequent violations. The bill increases the fines associated with violations.

Why this Bill is Needed – Recent Major Violations

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka'i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/30/2020 5:29:33 PM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Diane Koerner	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I am asking you to support Bill HB2114 for our keiki, farmworkers and the public in general. Drift threatens to harm adjacent, non-target plants and species, to lead to short and long-term contamination of the state's soil, air and waters. Despite these risks, pesticide misuse has, and continues to occur within the State. I, for one, have been personally injured by pesticide drift and my health will never be the same.

As recent as November 2019 (on Maui & Moloka'i) Monsanto/Bayer pled guilty and paid \$10 million as part of a plea agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for illegally using the banned pesticide PennCap-M on Maui and Molokai. Exposure to this cholinesterase-inhibiting pesticide has been linked to impaired neurological development in the fetus and in infants, chronic fatigue syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. The maximum allowable state fines should raise to represent the full damages to our communities and environments and the exposed workers in the fields.

In 2018 (on Kaua'i) a commercial pesticide applicator was fined only \$168,535 for misusing a combination of restricted-use pesticides on Kaua'i. The fine grossly under funds the true costs of improper and illegal use of pesticides in our communities and the restoration of ecosystems damaged by pesticide pollution.

In 2016 and 2017 (also on Kaua'i) Syngenta failed to adhere to pesticide use instructions, and improperly used the (now banned) neurotoxin pesticide chlorpyrifos, exposing the dangerous pesticide to farmworkers and injuring their health. Although an investigation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency initially proposed a pesticide fine of \$4.9 million, the fine was significantly reduced to just over \$500,000.

Additionally, the state sponsored Joint Fact Finding Study Group Report (JFFG), tasked with studying pesticide use by large agribusiness on Kauai cites several incidents of pesticides illegally migrating into our land, air and water on Kauai, yet a lack of sufficient data to determine how pesticides have migrated.

The Waimea Canyon Middle School on Kauai was evacuated in 2006 and again in 2008 possibly due to pesticide drift. It is unacceptable that the framework was not in place for

the immediate thorough investigation of this incident. In the JFFG the Waimea school incidents were highlighted as an example of why we need improved incident response practices.

While no investigation was immediately conducted the potential pesticide drift issue was largely dismissed by the DOA as a result of a toxin found in naturally occurring “stinkweed”. However, a memo from Dr. Milton Clark, a former EPA official tasked with investigating pesticide violations, clearly suggests that the incidents were likely due to pesticide drift. According to Dr. Clark’s memo the air sampling in Waimea Canyon Middle School occurred two years after the poisoning incident.

Furthermore, no blood or urine sampling was taken at the time of the incident to determine causality. Due to the regulatory oversight on the part of the DOA no conclusive finding determining the cause of the poisoning could be attributed.

Thank you for supporting HB2114.

Mahalo,

Diane Koerner

Kapaa, HI 96746

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/31/2020 6:15:11 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bridgit Bales	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am in strong support of HB2114. Please, we need this Bill.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/31/2020 8:18:26 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
robin knox	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Where I live on Maui, citizens have been exposed to illegal handling of toxic pesticides. Monsanto was fined for non-compliance and lawsuits have ensued. Recently there were allegations of misuse of paraquat, a dangerous toxic chemical. Please provide Hawaii citizens with information regarding the application of pesticides, and any violations of proper usage so that we can make informed decisions about the health risks encountered in our homes, schools, and businesses.

HB-2114

Submitted on: 1/31/2020 1:11:47 AM

Testimony for AGR on 1/31/2020 9:00:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
craig clark	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

We need to stop poisoning the environment and our mothers and children. Pesticide drift is a huge unacceptable problem.