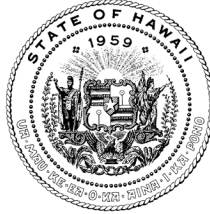


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Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committees on
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
and
WATER AND LAND**

**Tuesday, February 15, 2022
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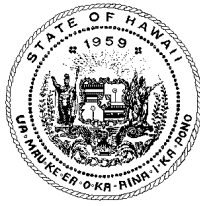
**In consideration of
SENATE BILL 3298
RELATING TO SHOOTING FACILITIES**

Senate Bill 3298 proposes to: 1) Establish a working group consisting of the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Director of Public Safety, and hunters and recreational shooters to determine potential locations and requirements for a shooting facility in the County of Hawaii; 2) Appropriate funds to establish the shooting facility in the County of Hawaii; and 3) Require the County of Hawaii to match funds appropriated on a dollar-to-dollar basis.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) strongly supports this measure.

The establishment of a multi-use public shooting range on Hawaii Island is much needed to provide a safe and organized facility to practice firearms safety, hunting and recreationally shooting skills. The Department's Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement and its Hunter Education Program, and other law enforcement agencies will also benefit from this range as it will provide a space to train and maintain their firearms skills at the highest level. The Department has been working closely with the County of Hawaii and community members on Hawaii to accomplish this goal.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



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**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL 3298
RELATING TO SHOOTING FACILITIES.**

by
Max N. Otani, Director

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair
Senator Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair

Senate Committee on Water and Land
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

Tuesday, February 15, 2022; 1:10 p.m.
Via Video Conference

Chairs Nishihara and Inouye, Vice Chairs DeCoite and Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committees:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports** Senate Bill (SB) 3298, which proposes to establish a working group to determine potential locations and requirements for a shooting facility in the County of Hawaii; appropriates funds to establish the shooting facility in the County of Hawaii; and requires the County of Hawaii to match funds appropriated on a dollar-to-dollar basis.

The Department of Public Safety would benefit from having a shooting facility in the County of Hawaii, because it has hundreds of law enforcement and correctional officers in the County, who are required to qualify for firearms and less lethal weapons on a regular basis. A working group that is tasked to submit a report to the Legislature is necessary in order to identify appropriate locations and requirements for a shooting facility in the County of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL,
AND MILITARY AFFAIRS AND WATER AND LAND
ON
SENATE BILL NO. 3298

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RELATING TO SHOOTING FACILITIES

The Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) offers comments on this bill.

Senate Bill No. 3298: establishes a working group within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to determine potential locations and requirements for a shooting facility on the island of Hawai'i; appropriates an unspecified amount of general funds for FY 23 as a grant-in-aid to the County of Hawai'i (COH) for the development of a public shooting facility on the island of Hawai'i; requires the COH to match the appropriated funds; and requires a report to the Legislature.

B&F notes that, with respect to the general fund appropriation in this bill, the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act requires that states receiving Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) II funds and Governor's Emergency Education Relief II funds must maintain state support for:

- Elementary and secondary education in FY 22 at least at the proportional level of the state's support for elementary and secondary education relative to the state's overall spending, averaged over FYs 17, 18 and 19; and

- Higher education in FY 22 at least at the proportional level of the state's support for higher education relative to the state's overall spending, averaged over FYs 17, 18 and 19.

Further, the federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act requires that states receiving ARP ESSER funds must maintain state support for:

- Elementary and secondary education in FY 22 and FY 23 at least at the proportional level of the state's support for elementary and secondary education relative to the state's overall spending, averaged over FYs 17, 18 and 19; and
- Higher education in FY 22 and FY 23 at least at the proportional level of the state's support for higher education relative to the state's overall spending, averaged over FYs 17, 18 and 19.

The U.S. Department of Education has issued rules governing how these maintenance of effort (MOE) requirements are to be administered. B&F will be working with the money committees of the Legislature to ensure that the State of Hawai'i complies with these ESSER MOE requirements.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

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Submitted on: 2/12/2022 12:34:51 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Brian Ley	Testifying for Hawaii county GMAC	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Brian Ley vice chair county GMAC. We are strongly in support of SB 3298. The big island is in desperate need of a real shooting range, instead of cleared land with a berm. Hawaii has a higher than normal ratio of population to gun owners,. we need a safe and modern shooting range for people to learn how to shoot and handle their firearms safely and properly. If we teach kids at a young age to enjoy shooting as a sport, hopefully when they get older it will help them make better decisions, especially if they know they will lose their ability to shoot a gun if they get involved with drugs and violence.

Mahalo for your time and consideration Brian Ley vice chair County GMAC



Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Senate Committee on Water and Land

HEARING: February 15, 2022 at 1:10pm

RE: SB3298 Relating to Shooting Facilities

The Hawaii Firearms Coalition **SUPPORTS SB3298.**

Having a full-featured shooting range on the Big Island is long overdue. A public shooting range is needed for instructors to teach firearms safety classes, host shooting events/competitions, and ensure hunters can zero and practice with their rifles and shotguns. Our Hawaii County members constantly complain about the lack of a public shooting range where they can practice and train.

A training range is needed with the upcoming US Supreme Court decision in *NYSRPA v Bruen* which is expected to overturn Hawaii's ban on handgun carry permits. Nationally on average, about 5% of the adult population has a handgun carry permit. It is projected that 7,000 Hawaii County residents will obtain a carry permit and will need a place for training and practice for it. Hawaii County needs a public range capable of handling that need. The current Morita Camp range is deficient for this purpose due to the range layout, lack of classrooms, the need for private shooting areas, and logistics issues.

A shooting complex in Hawaii County would draw people from around the State and overseas to attend competitions, hunting, and training classes. This would benefit the Hawaii county economy. Firearms ownership has grown greatly across the US in the past decade and people will travel to Hawaii for these events. This project would also bring in funds from the Pittman Robertson Act which provides matching Federal funds for range construction.

Please pass SB3298 to provide a safe training area for the community. Bringing the DLNR, County of Hawaii, and firearms community together on this project is the best way forward.

Mahalo,

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Submitted on: 2/11/2022 9:21:56 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Michael I Rice	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

I strongly SUPPORT this bill as it will provide gun owners on the Big Island a safe and legal place to practice with their firearms. Currently with no legal gun ranges, gun owners will either have to use their own property to practice on, or at an acquaintance's property. There's also the potential for them to shoot in 'unauthorized' locations, potentially on public property where a multitude of problems can arise.

A gun range provides a safe and sane place to practice and use firearms, and can have numerous safety measures and protocols in place that an 'unauthorized' location or even private property might not have, such as berms and overhangs, along with Range Safety Officers to monitor activity. There's also environmental concerns that can happen from such 'unauthorized' ranges, such as buildup of heavy metals such as lead, or through illegal dumping and trash which we see in such places on the mainland. On a public range these concerns can be mitigated through a number of processes and concentrated in one area that is known.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/13/2022 8:26:43 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Tony Sylvester	Testifying for Hawaii Sportsmen's Alliance	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Senate Chair Clarence K. Nishihara and Senate Chair Lorraine R. Inouye,

Thank you for hearing this measure and please support a much needed shooting range facility on Hawaii island.

Mahalo,

Tony Sylvester

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/12/2022 3:02:00 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Kathleen Yokouchi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

In support

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Submitted on: 2/11/2022 7:40:06 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Brian Isaacson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

More places for gun owners to shoot and practice their firearms safety skills promotes public safety, for the benefit of citizens. Shooters who have a place to practice safe shooting are better able to handle firearms safely and help others to do so.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/11/2022 5:09:45 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Gerard Silva	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

It is about time we get something for the people. I have payed Taxes for more than 55 years and most of the time it gets spent for Crap or stolen by the crooked Government!!

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/12/2022 4:19:41 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Stanley Mendes	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support SB3298 we need a gun range here on island of Hawai'i a good range

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/12/2022 7:58:45 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Robert McCarthy	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please give SB3298 full support.

The hawaii island firearm hunters and sport shooters have been without a formal range to practice and enjoy their sport fot far too long. The informal dirt areas traditionally used are not suited to shooting in a controlled environment. Shooters using these areas commendably self-regulate themselves, but a clean range with safe access to targets is what is needed.

Hunters need to be able to refresh shooting skills and make sure rifles are accurately sighted in. Wounding an animal due to poor shooting or misaligned sights results from hunters with no facility to prepare. Children learning to shoot need an area dedicated to safe learning of fundamentals.

I have enjoyed shooting sports for over 50 years since being trained in the Marine Corps. My emphasis has always been on accuracy and form. A formal range is needed for this.

As much land as the island of Hawaii has and the number of shooters and hunters, it is beyond understanding why a safe, clean shooting facitlity has never existed here.

Please expedite SB3298.

Robert McCarthy

Kailua Kona

USMC 1965-1969

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/13/2022 4:44:41 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Steve Robertson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I Support this important project

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/12/2022 11:35:12 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Marcus Tanaka	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This county needs a range so people can train with their firearms and learn to operate them safely.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/11/2022 7:03:00 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
David Norris	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Thank you for considering this bill. As a NRA Pistol instructor who runs one of the few safety classes on the big island I am very concerned that there is no public shooting facility for the general public. I am required to teach gun safety one of the biggest things for safety is a safe place to shoot. Every class people are asking where they can shoot and practice and I have nothing to tell them besides private lands. I am still very disappointed the proposed range at Puuanahulu was abandoned and cannot believe the state requires me to teach safety for people to get a permit to Acquire pistols and yet has never provided a safe place to shoot. Please help us build a safe place to shoot

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/12/2022 10:48:15 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Lionel Delos Santos	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha state legislature, i strongly support this bill so they can have a safe place to shoot there firearms then shooting into othher people land .

thank you

lionel

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/11/2022 8:04:02 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Teresa L Nakama	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I Teresa L. Nakama hereby state my full support for SB3298 passage for a working group to work towards Shooting Range Facility here on the Island of Hawaii and funding such a worthy effort to make this a reality which is long overdue.

Sincerely,

Teresa L. Nakama

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/13/2022 4:50:59 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Patrick Conant	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Senators of the Public Safety, Intergovernmental Affairs and Military Affairs Committee and the Water and Land Committee,

I strongly support SB3298. There are no well planned shooting range facilities on the entire island of Hawaii and one is badly needed. Ideally, it would be more or less close and accessible to shooters in both East And West Hawaii. The only public shooting site I know of is just bare lava on the side of Saddle Road. There is no shelter from the frequent rains at that site, making it a miserable site for shooting. Shooters need a safe, roof covered, but open sided facility with a range that extends to at least 200 yards and 300 or more would be much better. There are many hunters on this island that need a good, safe place to "sight in" their firearms before hunting.

I ask all Senators on these two committees to pass HB3298 so that shooters can have a shooting range that has some basic facilities and is safe for all who use it.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/13/2022 2:39:45 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
nani pogline	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear honorable Legislators,

Please support SB3298, for the development of a multi-purpose, user friendly safe public shooting range on Hawaii Island.

In 2016, the Hawaii County Game Management Advisory Commission fought for a Big Island shooting range, realizing the great need. In their public meeting, the room was full of testifiers from the hunting community, sportsmen, representatives from the Police Department, and individuals for firearm protection. From there it became an issue before the County Council, and once again testimonies flooded in favor of a BI shooting range. Consiquently the County established Resolution 246, a resolution supporting the development of a Hawaii Island shooting range, with a long list of important reasons included.

The need for a shooting range has only increased since then. GMAC, On Target, and other private organizations investigated and worked hard to push foward the development of a shooting range, yet unfortunately to no avail.

For the many important reasons, for education, skill, and safety in firearms use, I ask you to support SB3298.

Mahalo nui,

Nani Pogline

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Submitted on: 2/13/2022 5:56:40 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Linda Bollinger	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As a retired peace officer from California I was dumbfounded there were basically no public ranges here. I have a lifetime CCW for California which requires annual qualification as a result of my retirement. It is imperative for public safety to provide a public range so gun owners here on the Big Island can become proficient with the use of their firearms. All that is currently required to purchase a firearm here and pick it up is completion of the NRA Firearm Safety course (even though participants are suppose to shoot the .22 cal and 9mm some participants do not do so). Yet they leave and go out and pick up handguns. Scary!! This would also give the Police Department a place to go and shoot at more regular intervals than their current once a year qualification. Practice is necessary to be proficient and produces more accuracy.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/13/2022 7:36:08 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
James D. O'Keefe	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The Island of Hawaii has tens of thousands firearms owners: hunters, shooting sports competitors, collectors, and recreational shooters. There is a signal lack of a safe, modern shooting range for them to sight in their rifles, practice their shooting skills, and competing in a variety of competitions that are recognized nationally and internationally. For many decades, there has been the promise of a public shooting range here on the island. It is time to take that promise and turn it into reality. There are many avid sports-men and -women who would gladly contribute their time, expertise, talent, and resources towards making this happen. This bill would provide a framework for moving forward to its fruition.

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Submitted on: 2/13/2022 7:52:09 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
steven a kumasaka	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

strongly support

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 7:59:28 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Dr Marion Ceruti	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Hawai'i in general needs more public ranges. The bill can be improved by relaxing the dollar-for-dollar matching requirement to any reasonable fractional matching, such as fifty cents on the dollar. Obstacles to establishing ranges need to be removed. It is recommended that certified National Rifle Association instructors, and certified instructors of other second-amendment support groups should be included in the planning and establishment of the range. I support archery as an approved range activity. Vote Yes on SB3298.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 10:57:10 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Grayson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha: I would like to testify in support of SB 3298 as a private citizen.

My name is Grayson Hashida and I live in Kona and was raised in Hilo. The Big Island is my home. I grew up fishing and hunting and the natural resources available to us, was how my family survived and put food on the table.

Shooting and hunting is an important tradition on our island and a shooting range is necessary to help maintain this tradition, in a safe way.

We need a shooting range. It's time for action and to get this built.

Please support this bill.

Thank you.

Grayson Hashida

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 11:53:21 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Mark Woodward	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB3298.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 11:42:49 AM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Don Fujimoto	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As a state, Hawaii has one of the largest number of guns per capita in the nation. There is no decent shooting facility on the Big Island to properly train new gun owners, allow shooters to safely practice their skills, and host organized recreational shooting events.

A properly designed and maintained shooting range will help to promote safe gun handling and provide recreational opportunity for Big Island residents.

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 12:52:57 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Hipolito Olaes	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Facilities to practice firing pistols/rifles/shotguns are a necessity to maintain proficiency in using these safely.

LATE

To: Senator Clarence Nishihara, Chair
Senator Lynn DeCoite, Vice-Chair
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs
&
Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair
Senator Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Vice-Chair
Committee on Water and Land

From: Bronsten Kossow

Date: 14 February 2022

Measure: S.B. 3298

Hearing: Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Time: 1:10pm

Location: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Bill Description: Establishes a working group consisting of the Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Director of Public Safety, and hunters and recreational shooters to determine potential locations and requirements for a shooting facility in the County of Hawaii. Appropriates funds to establish the shooting facility in the County of Hawaii. Requires the County of Hawaii to match funds appropriated on a dollar-to-dollar basis.

Subject: Testimony in Support of S.B. 3298

Aloha Chair Nishihara, Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair DeCoite and Vice-Chair Keith-Agaran, and the members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs and Committee on Water and Land,

Writing to you in strong **SUPPORT** of S.B. 3298. I would like to thank the chair's for allowing this bill to be heard, and the original introducers of the bill. Hawaii Island hunters and shooting sports advocates have been long waiting for a bill like this to be introduced to the legislature. This bill will get us to the next step for appropriations and finding a facility and moving along with the process.

The future of practicing to shoot for the purposes and intent for hunting or leisure is important to have here in Hawaii. Having a safe space is important and this bill would allow that conversation to begin.

Mahalo,

Bronsten Kossow

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Submitted on: 2/14/2022 6:28:00 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Brad Beck	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

The State of Hawaii issues permits for legally qualified citizens to purchase firearms. The State of Hawaii also issues hunting licenses allowing qualified citizens to legally deploy firearms for the harvesting of game animals in State sanctioned hunting areas, and on private lands. It is morally and legally incumbent upon the State of Hawaii to allow citizens;

1- A place to practice skills necessary for the ethical harvesting of game animals.

2- Citizens to ensure the proper function of the firearm and the sighting system to ensure ethical harvest of game animals.

3 - Most important allow the Citizen a properly maintained and operated facility to allow Citizens to conduct the practice of safe firearms and handling skills under dry and live fire.

Mahalo,

Brad Beck

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Submitted on: 2/14/2022 2:41:11 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
shelton medeiros	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

hi i am an avid hunter and shooter and im in support of this bill i feel it will help create a safe and enjoyable place for people of all types to enjoy this island needs an offical range were proper safe classes and competitions can be held thank you for your time

LATE

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 3:30:42 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Greg Funderburk	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

As a hunter and sportsman, I am pleased that the state is considering the construction of a public range in Hawaii County. A public shooting range will ensure that shooters and hunters have high-quality public facilities at which to train, learn about firearms safety and enjoy recreational shooting. This is especially important with the growing interests in firearms ownership and the popularity of modern sporting arms.

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Submitted on: 2/14/2022 7:10:02 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Willie-Joe Camara	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support this bill. Ten's of thousands of new legal firearms are purchased on the big Island every year, yet we have no legal place to safely shoot . Even our law enforcement don't have a place to practice. What a shame!!

LATE

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 11:57:51 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Fred Delosantos	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please support SB3298. The Big Island needs a proper shooting range.

LATE

SB-3298

Submitted on: 2/14/2022 3:42:36 PM

Testimony for PSM on 2/15/2022 1:10:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Soleil Roache	Testifying for DC Project Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

I live on Oahu now, but I was born and raised on the Big Island and lived there until I moved to Oahu to go to college. The Big Island sorely needs several full-featured shooting ranges! Since there are no adequate ranges, there is no place to hold classes for proper training in safe practices for hunting and self defense purposes. Without proper shooting range facilities for the public, a lot of people just go shoot out in the open somewhere which is extremely unsafe! Just a few months ago, some dummies in Ka'u were shooting out toward the ocean from the road, but my friends were fishing on the beach and directly in their line of fire. They were too far away for the dummies to hear them shouting to stop, so my friends used their drone to buzz them a few times so that they knew someone was in the area. If they didn't have a drone to alert the dummies, who knows what might have happened. Please pass this bill so that Big Island residents have a safe place to train.