

To:The Senate Committee on Government Operations (GVO)<br/>and<br/>The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment (AEN)From:Sherry Pollack, 350Hawaii.org<br/>Date:Monday, March 29, 2022, 3:00pm

#### In strong support of SCR108/SR95

Aloha Chairs Moriwaki and Gabbard, Vice Chairs Dela Cruz and Nishihara, and members of the GVO and AEN committees,

I am Co-Founder of the Hawaii chapter of 350.org, the largest international organization dedicated to fighting climate change. **350Hawaii.org strongly supports SCR108/SR95, and is proud our organization has formally endorsed the call for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty** that would end new fossil fuel exploration and expansion, phase out existing production in line with the global commitment to limit warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius, and accelerate equitable transition plans.

This resolution affirms Hawaii's ongoing commitment to the goals of the Paris Climate Agreement, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and endorses the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty. Climate change, like nuclear weapons, is a major global threat. And let's be clear, **the main cause of the climate emergency is fossil fuels.** According to the United Nations IPCC report, coal, oil and gas are responsible for 86% of all carbon dioxide emissions in the past decade. Scientists have made clear that we must swiftly phase out fossil fuel use or face untold suffering. We no longer have the luxury to wait to take the necessary actions to drastically reduce our greenhouse gas emissions.

The pillars of the proposed Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty call for an immediate end to expansion of new coal, oil and gas production, winding down existing production in line with the Paris Agreement target of 1.5°C, and global support in a just transition to ensure no worker, community or country is left behind. Phasing out fossil fuel production, and fast-tracking progress towards safer and more cost-effective alternatives, will require unprecedented international cooperation. Hawaii can and should be leaders in showing the world the way forward towards a safe and sustainable climate and future. The sooner we inspire others to take action and lead by example, the better off the future will be for our children.

Scientists have declared that the decade we are in right now is one of the most consequential decades for our climate future. **Children living today will live to see a 1.5°C warmer world because of the failure of adults to take real action when there still was time to do so.** SCR108/SR95 and calling for the State and each county to formally endorse the call for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty is a step forward in these efforts.

We urge you to support these very important resolutions. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Sherry Pollack Co-Founder, 350Hawaii.org

# <u>SR-95</u> Submitted on: 3/27/2022 6:32:31 PM Testimony for GVO on 3/29/2022 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dana Keawe	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Support

## <u>SR-95</u> Submitted on: 3/25/2022 10:02:32 AM Testimony for GVO on 3/29/2022 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jennifer Azuma Chrupalyk	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please open educational programs or work with the electrical union to provide education for the workforce to get certified in sustainable power sources, meters and distribution boxes of solar energy, as well as maintenance/repair of solar power systems. This demographic will be our future HECO workforce - and related employment agencies.

## <u>SR-95</u> Submitted on: 3/24/2022 2:29:18 PM Testimony for GVO on 3/29/2022 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Fossel Fuels do not have the impact that they are trying to portray. Every thing existes For a reason. What they are trying to tell you is all False. They have bin lying to US all for Decaeds.

Globle Means the New World Order something we the People want Nothing to Do with all who are involved will be Charged!!



#### <u>SR-95</u> Submitted on: 3/29/2022 8:43:42 AM Testimony for GVO on 3/29/2022 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Debbie Millikan	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this critical resolution. The resolution celebrates and continues the commitment our state and local governments have made to addressing climate change. My work focuses on climate change education, K-12, and with every demonstration of that commitment, our youth are more likely to feel empowered and engaged.

Mahalo nui