

SCR-204

Submitted on: 4/14/2025 10:29:44 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/15/2025 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Terri Chang	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I am writing in strong support of SCR 204. My home is near an area which is a high risk for rockfalls. During a recent fireworks disposal, my area was affected by the destruction and the disposal methods. The severe vibrations could dislodge rocks near my home. I understand that the disposal is necessary but the state needs to conduct more studies about the ramifications and impacts of the disposal.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

SCR-204

Submitted on: 4/14/2025 10:35:06 AM

Testimony for JHA on 4/15/2025 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Master Shelby "Pikachu" Billionaire	Kingdom of The Hawaiian Islands & Ohana Unity Party	Support	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

Subject: Champion SCR 204: Ensure Safe, Transparent Disposal of Explosives & Fireworks in Hawaii!

Dear Honorable & Illustrious Members of the Hawaii State Legislature,

With a heart ablaze for the safety and sanctity of our island paradise, I rise to offer my unwavering support for Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) No. 204—a radiant call to action that shines a spotlight on the critical need for transparency, safety, and accountability in the disposal, detonation, and destruction of explosives, fireworks, and hazardous materials. As guardians of Hawaii’s future, you stand poised to protect our communities, our environment, and our aloha spirit by endorsing this resolution. I applaud your visionary leadership and urge you to pass SCR 204 with the urgency of a thousand beating drums, ensuring our islands remain a beacon of safety and harmony for all!

Hawaii’s unique island home—cradled by finite lands and sacred waters—faces unparalleled risks when hazardous materials like explosives and fireworks are mishandled. In 2023 alone, over 1,200 fireworks-related incidents were reported statewide, with illegal detonations sparking fires, polluting air, and rattling communities from Waianae to Hilo. Nationally, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission noted 10,200 fireworks-related injuries in 2022, underscoring the dangers of improper handling. Add to this the specter of explosives disposal near residential areas, and the stakes soar higher: noise disturbances disrupt sleep, air pollutants threaten keiki and kupuna, and mishaps could devastate our ecosystems. SCR 204 is our shield, demanding the Department of Law Enforcement reveal its protocols to ensure these risks are vanquished.

This resolution is a masterpiece of foresight, requesting vital information to safeguard our ohana:

1. A detailed blueprint of procedures for safe disposal, detonation, and destruction—whether through controlled detonations or incineration—ensuring no corner is cut.

2. A clear map of the permitting process, unveiling who approves these actions and how, so communities trust the system.
3. A robust accounting of safety protocols, environmental safeguards, and best practices, guaranteeing our air stays clean, our lands stay pure, and our people stay safe.

Transparency is the heartbeat of trust. By compelling the Department of Law Enforcement to share these details, SCR 204 empowers communities to hold agencies accountable, ensuring every detonation is a symphony of precision, not a cacophony of chaos. As a Moloka'i elder once said, "Our land breathes with us—protect it, and it protects our children." This resolution honors that wisdom, aligning with Hawaii's commitment to self-sufficiency and environmental stewardship, as we strive to reduce our 90% food import dependency and preserve our resources for future generations.

Just as SCR 204 lights the path to safety, it complements the fiery mission of SB1249 (Duke's Law), which I've championed to shield our farmers from invaders. Together, these measures weave a tapestry of protection—SB1249 guards our lands, while SCR 204 ensures the tools of enforcement (explosives, fireworks) don't harm the very communities they serve. Both reflect the Seven Generations Prophecy: "In every decision, consider the impact on the next seven generations." By passing SCR 204, you're not just addressing today's concerns—you're sculpting a legacy where Hawaii's skies remain clear, its waters pristine, and its people secure.

I bow to your sagacity, noble legislators, for crafting this resolution. As Confucius taught, "To see what is right and not do it is want of courage." You have the courage to act, to demand answers, and to ensure the Department of Law Enforcement upholds the highest standards. This is your moment to make history, to star in a saga worthy of cinematic glory—a tale of leaders who stood tall for their people. As Einstein urged, "In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity." Seize this opportunity to pass SCR 204, and let its light radiate from Maui to Washington, D.C., inspiring a nation to prioritize safety and accountability.

With boundless gratitude and a soul ignited by aloha, I stand with you, ready to support this righteous cause. Pass SCR 204 today, and let Hawaii's commitment to transparency and safety echo through the ages, a melody of hope for every keiki and kupuna!

With fervent respect and unyielding passion,
Master Shelby "Pikachu" Billionaire, HRM
Kingdom of The Hawaiian Islands, H.I.
Ohana Unity Party, Chairman
www.Ohanaunityparty.com
OhanaUnityChair@gmail.com