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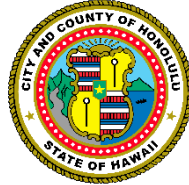
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March 18, 2026

The Honorable Cory M. Chun, Chair
The Honorable Matthias Kusch, Vice Chair
and Members of the House Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems
State Capitol, Conference Room 325
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Chun, Vice Chair Kusch, and Members of the House Committee on
Agriculture & Food Systems:

SUBJECT: S.B. No. 2892, S.D. 1 - Relating To Feral Chickens
HEARING: Friday, March 20, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

The City and County of Honolulu, Department of Customer Services (CSD), appreciates the opportunity to testify in **support** of S.B. No. 2892, S.D. 1, which would appropriate funds to the counties for fiscal year 2026-2027 to facilitate the collection of feral chickens that have already been caught. CSD administers the City and County of Honolulu's (the "City") two master agreements for feral chicken mitigation services. The first master agreement provides for capture and disposal services for feral chickens situated on City property across O'ahu. Under the second master agreement, private landowners may retain the City's vendor directly for certain subsidized feral chicken capture services, including cage rentals and disposal services.

Feral chickens have become a persistent and growing nuisance in many communities, particularly in residential areas. Complaints commonly involve excessive noise, sanitation concerns, attraction of other pests, and impacts to quality of life. Counties regularly receive service requests related to feral chickens, yet lack consistent resources to manage collection, transport, and disposal efforts once animals have been captured.

This measure provides targeted and practical support by allocating funding directly to counties to address the downstream costs associated with collection activities that are already occurring. By focusing on feral chickens that have already been caught, S.B. No. 2892, S.D. 1 supports humane, efficient, and coordinated management efforts without expanding enforcement authority or creating new regulatory burdens.

Dedicated funding will allow counties to better coordinate logistics, support contracted services where appropriate, and respond more effectively to community concerns. Consistent resources are critical to ensuring that existing feral chicken management efforts remain sustainable and responsive.

For these reasons, CSD supports S.B. No. 2892, S.D. 1 and appreciates the Legislature's consideration of this measure to assist counties in addressing an ongoing public nuisance issue in a practical and fiscally responsible manner.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on S.B. No. 2892, S.D. 1.

Sincerely,

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March 20, 2026

HEARING BEFORE THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & FOOD SYSTEMS

TESTIMONY ON SB 2892, SD1
RELATING TO FERAL CHICKENS

Conference Room 325 & Videoconference
9:30 AM

Aloha Chair Chun, Vice-Chair Kusch, and Members of the Committee:

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

The Hawai'i Farm Bureau supports SB 2892, SD1, which appropriates funds to each county to facilitate the collection of feral chickens that have already been caught.

Feral chickens remain a persistent issue across the state, particularly in agricultural areas, where they damage crops, spread weeds, attract pests, and pose public health and safety concerns. HFB has consistently supported reasonable and practical efforts to manage feral chicken populations in ways that protect agriculture, communities, and the environment.

SB 2892, SD1 takes a targeted and practical approach by providing counties with resources to address an existing problem without imposing new regulatory requirements on farmers, landowners, or the public. Supporting county-level capacity to handle captured feral chickens helps ensure that ongoing control efforts are effective and appropriately managed

HFB appreciates the Legislature's continued attention to feral animal management and respectfully urges your support for SB 2892, SD1.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

SB-2892-SD-1

Submitted on: 3/17/2026 8:43:56 PM

Testimony for AGR on 3/20/2026 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Tim Streitz	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly support this bill because it addresses a major problem with the current feral chicken programs on Oahu. Funding has not been allocated to allow 100% free drop-off of caught chickens to be handled by a company, like Humane Society did many years ago. The only way to get this problem under control is to help enable residents to do it themselves without fear of any legal problems, and then also have a proper place to dispose of the chickens.

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Submitted on: 3/17/2026 9:37:33 PM

Testimony for AGR on 3/20/2026 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Marcella Alohalani Boido	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please pass this bill. It is one small but helpful step towards controlling the population of feral chickens.

Thank you.

Marcella Alohalai Boido, M.A.

Moili'ili, Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

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Submitted on: 3/19/2026 8:56:52 PM

Testimony for AGR on 3/20/2026 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Daniella Reyes	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I wholeheartedly support this bill. Feral chickens are pests that threaten Hawaii's already vulnerable ecosystem, causing erosion and spreading diseases such as avian flu. Feral chickens loosen dirt and dig up native plants, and during weather events such as our recent storm, contribute to landslides. Avian flu threatens our native birds as well as our local poultry businesses and bird rescues.

If we do not pass legislation now, the population will only continue to grow. In an urban, dense community, one rooster can cause havoc with noise pollution and affect hundreds of people in the area. Besides being a nuisance, feral chickens are a very real threat to a vulnerable ecosystem and public health. Thank you.