

Written Statement of
Trung Lam, Executive Director

before the
Senate Committee of Economic Development and Tourism

Tuesday, February 10, 2026
1:02 pm
Conference Room 229 & Videoconference

In consideration of
SB 3167
RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Chair Decoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee.

As the state agency dedicated to advancing Hawai'i's innovation-driven economy, the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) recognizes the critical importance of SB3167 in strengthening the state's position as a leader in the blue economy and ocean technology sectors. This bill directly aligns with HTDC's mission to foster technology-based economic development, with a particular focus on ocean and maritime innovation.

The procurement of third-party consultants to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology strategy will help identify opportunities, challenges, and actionable pathways for Hawai'i's growth in this global sector. A comprehensive strategy emphasizing innovation, commercialization, and workforce development within the blue economy is consistent with best practices observed in other leading technology regions, where strategic planning and targeted investment have resulted in robust technology clusters and high-value job creation. By focusing on sectors such as aquaculture, ocean and maritime technology, and coastal resiliency, the bill supports a holistic approach that leverages Hawai'i's unique geographic and cultural assets.

One recommended change to the bill would be to clarify that the funds requested will be used to contract the expertise of multiple consultants, as necessary, to develop the blue economy strategy. We appreciate the Legislature's support for this initiative and look forward to contributing to Hawai'i's leadership in the blue economy.

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.





AI.FISH

TO: Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members
FROM: Jimmy Freese, CEO, Ai.Fish
RE:SB3167 – Relating to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation

Chair Decoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee,

I am Jimmy Freese, CEO of Ai.Fish, a Hawai'i-based ocean technology company. I strongly support SB3167.

This bill directs HTDC to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology strategy—exactly the kind of coordinated planning that companies like ours need to scale. For over seven years, HTDC has been a critical partner for Ai.Fish, and a formal strategy will help align state resources with industry needs.

Ai.Fish strongly supports SB3167.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,
Jimmy Freese
CEO and Co-Founder
Ai.Fish



Statement of
Noah Pentelovitch
Head of Hardware
Hohonu
before the
Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

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Chair DeCoite, and Vice Chair Wakai and Members of the Committees on Economic Development and Tourism,

Hohonu strongly **SUPPORTS SB3167**, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to contract for a consultant to advance the state's ocean technology and innovation initiatives. Hawai'i's Blue Economy is a vital driver of prosperity and resilience for our islands, contributing over \$10 billion annually to the state's GDP, supporting 100,000 jobs in marine-related sectors. Over the past decade, we have also seen a remarkable 23% increase in marine business activity, reflecting Hawai'i's unique capacity for growth and innovative ocean solutions.

As the U.S.'s largest island state in the Pacific, stewarding ocean resources in the second largest Exclusive Economic Zone (EEA), Hawai'i plays a critical role. Advancing ocean technology and innovation directly aligns with HTDC's mission and leverages our natural strengths, positioning Hawai'i as a strategic innovation hub in the Pacific. This bill will create future-ready jobs and unlock additional federal, philanthropic, and private funding to not only sustain our economy but address critical marine challenges.

Hohonu **strongly supports** Senate Bill 3167 as a catalyst for growing the ecosystem of companies around the state working in the blue economy. Hohonu was founded in 2019 in Hawai'i by Dr. Brian Glazer, a professor at UH Manoa, to address persistent gaps in flood monitoring. Today, Hohonu operates flood monitoring networks across 18 states, including Hawai'i, serving federal partners, state agencies, counties, municipalities, institutions of higher

education, and the private consulting sector. Hohonu is headquartered in Honolulu where it designs, develops and manufactures its water level sensors.

Leadership from the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation, and the use of an expert focused on planning and executing a blue economy strategy, will have the positive effect of coordinating the local blue economy ecosystem and aligning stakeholders in both the private and public sector. Companies, especially hardware companies like Hohonu, thrive when there is a strong, connected ecosystem of companies growing the local skill base and supply chain. There are compounding benefits to having related companies in a single area: similar job opportunities allow local talent to develop related skills early on, knowledge spillover accelerates innovation, local suppliers and service providers can specialize and grow to meet increased demand and a cluster attracts more investment and more outside interest from buyers.

Hohonu is in a strong position to grow and thrive, but as we grow we will be constrained by the local availability of specialized talent, availability of suppliers capable of scaling with us and logistics challenges related to both fulfillment of orders and imports of necessary components. These challenges are neither unique to Hohonu nor new. The Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation is well positioned to address these problems across a blue economy cluster and we have a better chance at solving them by bringing in expertise and focus.

Hawai'i is a unique and challenging location to start a technology company and it requires a focused, highly collaborative effort to be successful. We believe Senate Bill 3167 will enable that collaboration and success and **we strongly support its passage**

Mahalo for your time and the opportunity to provide testimony.

Sincerely,

Noah Pentelovitch
Head of Hardware
Hohonu



Statement of
Veronica Rocha, CEO
Essential Leap, LLC
before the
COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

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Chair Senator Lynn DeCoite and Vice Chair Senator Glenn Wakai, and Members of the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism,

Essential Leap is a Honolulu based consultancy that helps to accelerate cleantech adoption through results-driven, end-to-end market development.

I am writing in support of SB3167, which would direct the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) to contract for expert consulting services to help develop, coordinate, and implement a comprehensive blue economy and ocean technology strategy for our state. This bill takes important steps toward positioning Hawaii as a leader in sustainable ocean innovation and responsible economic growth. The expertise gained through these contracted services will ensure that the HTDC has the strategic guidance needed to advance initiatives in maritime technology, aquaculture, coastal resiliency, and ocean observation, while strengthening Hawaii's competitive edge in emerging ocean industries.

I support this bill because it addresses critical opportunities for Hawaii's economic and sustainable future. Our geographic location and cultural heritage connect us deeply to the Pacific Ocean — yet fully realizing our potential in ocean-related technology and industry requires strategic planning and coordination that go beyond current capacity. By engaging a consultant with technical expertise, the State can develop a clear blue economy strategy with actionable steps, attract new investment, enhance workforce development, facilitate commercialization of innovative technologies, and strengthen public-private partnerships. This will benefit Hawaii by creating high-quality jobs, diversifying our economy, and advancing sustainability in sectors ranging from marine robotics to coastal resiliency, while honoring Native Hawaiian stewardship of marine resources.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of SB3167. Your consideration of this measure demonstrates a commitment to long-term economic innovation, sustainability, and strategic investment in Hawaii's future. I respectfully urge you to pass this bill so that Hawaii can build a strong, forward-looking blue economy that benefits all residents and protects our precious ocean resources for generations to come.

Thank you,

Veronica Rocha

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**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 3167
RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

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To: Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

From: Hawai'i Ocean Power Solutions (HOPS)

Position: Support

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

Hawai'i Ocean Power Solutions (HOPS) respectfully submits this testimony in strong support of **SB 3167**, relating to the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation.

HOPS is a Hawai'i-based ocean technology company working at the intersection of marine environments, renewable energy, and ocean observation. Our work depends not only on technical innovation, but on clear strategic direction that aligns public priorities, private investment, and responsible stewardship of Hawai'i's ocean resources.

SB 3167 takes a timely and important step by directing the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to procure a third-party consultant to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy. Establishing a comprehensive, independently developed strategy helps ensure that Hawai'i's ocean innovation efforts are coordinated, forward-looking, and grounded in stakeholder input, rather than advancing in a fragmented or reactive manner.

For companies like HOPS, a clear statewide strategy provides valuable guidance on priorities, pathways for collaboration, and long-term opportunities for growth. Just as importantly, it strengthens Hawai'i's ability to attract federal, philanthropic, and private investment by signaling that the state has a deliberate, coherent vision for its blue economy and ocean technology sector.

The requirement for annual reporting to the Legislature further ensures transparency and accountability, allowing policymakers to track progress, evaluate outcomes, and adapt the strategy as Hawai'i's needs and opportunities evolve. For these reasons, Hawai'i Ocean Power Solutions strongly supports the passage of SB 3167. Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony and for your leadership in advancing Hawai'i's economic development and innovation capacity.

Respectfully submitted,
Kapon M. Gaughen
Communications Officer, Hawai'i Ocean Power Solutions (HOPS)



Statement of
Carlo Liquido
Executive Director
Pi'ikū Co.
before the
Senate Committee on Economic Development & Tourism

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In consideration of
SB 3227
RELATING TO HAWAI'I TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee on Economic Development & Tourism.

Pi'ikū Co. **SUPPORTS** SB 3167, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to procure a third-party consultant to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy. Hawaii's unique geographic position and rich ocean resources present a significant opportunity to lead in the emerging blue economy, a sector projected by the OECD to reach \$3 trillion globally by 2030. Developing robust ocean technology not only aligns with HTDC's mission to position Hawaii as a premier innovation hub in the Pacific, but also creates high-quality jobs, attracts investment, and diversifies our economy beyond tourism.

Pi'ikū Co. is a Hawai'i-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit providing work-based learning programs for emerging technology talent. HTDC's leadership in developing a blue economy strategy is important to Pi'ikū because it expands the tech sector in Hawai'i and creates new opportunities for our participants to build careers locally. The workforce development component of this bill directly supports our mission by identifying emerging technology needs and creating pathways for local talent to access high-quality employment in sectors where Hawai'i has competitive advantage. Pi'ikū depends on strategic public investment like this appropriation to help build a diverse and thriving tech ecosystem where our graduates can find meaningful work without leaving the islands. This bill would help ensure that as new technology sectors develop in Hawai'i, Native Hawaiian and local youth are positioned to participate in that growth and economic opportunity right here at home.

In summary, SB 3167 is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean innovation, drive sustainable economic growth, and realize the vision of a resilient, tech-enabled future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

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Respectfully submitted,

Duncan Lajousky

Chief Technology Officer, Hawai'i Ocean Power Solutions (HOPS)

Statement of
Sherrie Totoki
before the
Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

February 9, 2026

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Committee on Economic Development and Tourism: Chair Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair Glenn Wakai, and esteemed members of the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

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In summary, **SB3167** is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean technology and innovation while realizing the vision of a resilient economic future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

Sincerely,
Sherrie Totoki

Statement of
Nam Vu
Co-Founder
Hub Coworking Hawaii
before the
Senate Committee on Economic Development & Tourism

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Hub Coworking Hawaii **SUPPORTS** SB 3167, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to procure a third-party consultant to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy. Hawaii's unique geographic position and rich ocean resources present a significant opportunity to lead in the emerging blue economy, a sector projected by the OECD to reach \$3 trillion globally by 2030. Developing robust ocean technology not only aligns with HTDC's mission to position Hawaii as a premier innovation hub in the Pacific, but also creates high-quality jobs, attracts investment, and diversifies our economy beyond tourism.

About Hub Coworking Hawaii and the Importance of a Statewide Blue Economy Strategy

Hub Coworking Hawaii is a locally founded and operated coworking and innovation organization that supports entrepreneurs, startups, consultants, and small businesses across Hawai'i. Our community includes professionals working in technology, sustainability, engineering, research, and ocean-adjacent industries who rely on shared infrastructure, collaboration, and business support to develop and deploy innovative solutions in Hawai'i.

As an ecosystem operator, Hub Coworking Hawaii regularly works with early-stage companies and independent professionals navigating the intersection of innovation, commercialization, and public-private collaboration. Many ocean technology

and blue economy initiatives begin as small teams or research-driven ventures that require strategic guidance, market clarity, and coordinated support to move from concept to impact.

A statewide blue economy and ocean technology strategy developed through a third-party consultant would provide much-needed alignment across agencies, research institutions, entrepreneurs, and investors. Clear strategic direction would help identify priority focus areas, reduce fragmentation, and create defined pathways for innovation, commercialization, and workforce development within Hawai'i's ocean and marine sectors.

For the businesses we support, a cohesive statewide strategy would improve access to funding opportunities, partnerships, and pilot programs, while signaling to investors and talent that Hawai'i is serious about building a globally competitive blue economy. SB 3167 would help ensure that ocean innovation efforts are coordinated, inclusive, and positioned to deliver long-term economic and environmental benefits for the state.

In summary, SB 3167 is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean innovation, drive sustainable economic growth, and realize the vision of a resilient, tech-enabled future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

Mahalo,



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Statement of
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Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee on Economic
Development & Tourism.

Small Kine Farm SUPPORTS SB 3227 that appropriates funds for HTDC's core programs: the Manufacturing Assistance Program (MAP), Hawai'i Small Business Innovation Research (HSBIR), and Small Business Training & Accelerator programs. These programs have demonstrated value in nurturing local startups, supporting commercialization of research, and expanding opportunities for skilled employment in emerging industries. These HTDC programs aim to provide programmatic business, technical, and financial support for innovative small businesses from the startup stage through growth and export.

My company manufactures organic compost and is also the only USDA Certified organic mushroom farm in the State. HTDC has helped us to start and stay competitive from the very beginning. I am hoping to see more small businesses who can benefit from their help with more staff and more funding. They are playing an important role in our economy to support small innovative businesses. I am currently employing 5 full time and 1 part time workers at the farm. Last year revenue was \$350,000.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

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**WRITTEN TESTIMONY
IN SUPPORT OF SB3167
RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Aloha Chair and Members of the Committee,

Pacific Impact Zone respectfully submits this testimony in strong support of SB3167, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy through the use of a third-party consultant.

Pacific Impact Zone is currently working with HTDC through a public-private partnership to establish a shared-use advanced manufacturing facility in Hawai'i. A core objective of this facility is to support ocean technology, maritime, and dual-use companies as they move from research and prototyping into scalable production. SB3167 directly supports this effort by helping the State define, coordinate, and prioritize the pipeline of ocean-related innovation that advanced manufacturing infrastructure is meant to serve.

From an operator's perspective, one of the greatest challenges facing Hawai'i's innovation ecosystem is fragmentation. Ocean technology activity spans multiple agencies, research institutions, industries, and communities, yet companies often lack clear pathways from concept to deployment. SB3167 addresses this gap by requiring a coordinated strategy that identifies opportunities, barriers, workforce needs, infrastructure gaps, and commercialization pathways across the blue economy.

The bill's emphasis on implementation-focused outputs is particularly valuable. SB3167 calls for a strategy that includes defined milestones, stakeholder roles, cross-agency coordination, and actionable next steps. This approach moves beyond vision-setting and creates a framework that can inform real investments in facilities, workforce development, and public-private partnerships. For advanced manufacturing operators like Pacific Impact Zone, this clarity helps align facility design, equipment selection, and programming with actual market demand.

We also support the bill's use of a third-party consultant as a time-bounded capacity builder. This structure allows HTDC to accelerate strategy development and ecosystem coordination during an interim period, while informing longer-term decisions about staffing, infrastructure,

and sustained investment. Importantly, it complements, rather than replaces, HTDC's role as the State's lead technology development agency.

SB3167 strengthens the overall system the Legislature is building. When combined with investments in HTDC staffing, federal matching capacity, and manufacturing assistance programs, this bill helps ensure that Hawai'i's blue economy strategy is grounded in execution and connected to production capability. For the shared advanced manufacturing facility we are developing with HTDC, it helps ensure a steady, well-defined pipeline of ocean technology companies ready to utilize manufacturing capacity in the state.

In summary, SB3167 provides the strategic coordination needed to align ocean innovation, workforce development, and manufacturing execution. It strengthens Hawai'i's position in the blue economy while directly supporting public-private partnerships that are translating innovation into production. Pacific Impact Zone respectfully urges the Committee to pass SB3167.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony.



Statement of
Grace Iwashita, Manager – Business Development
Hawaiian King Candies, LLC
before the
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Hawaiian King Candies, LLC **SUPPORTS** SB 3167, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to procure a third-party consultant to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy. Hawaii's unique geographic position and rich ocean resources present a significant opportunity to lead in the emerging blue economy, a sector projected by the OECD to reach \$3 trillion globally by 2030. Developing robust ocean technology not only aligns with HTDC's mission to position Hawaii as a premier innovation hub in the Pacific, but also creates high-quality jobs, attracts investment, and diversifies our economy beyond tourism.

Hawaiian King Candies, LLC is a Honolulu-based manufacturer of confections and snack products and has proudly operated in Hawai'i for over 40 years. As a long-standing local manufacturer, our business is deeply connected to Hawai'i's people, environment, and infrastructure. While we are not directly engaged in ocean technology, the health of Hawai'i's marine and coastal ecosystems is essential to the overall sustainability of our economy, quality of life, and workforce.

HTDC's efforts to strengthen the marine and ocean innovation ecosystem support coordinated planning, responsible resource management, and long-term economic resilience. A statewide blue economy strategy developed through SB 3167 would help ensure that ocean-related innovation is aligned with environmental stewardship, infrastructure needs, and community priorities—factors that directly impact local manufacturers like ours. By supporting thoughtful, data-driven planning, this bill helps create a stable foundation for locally owned businesses that depend on a healthy environment and a diversified economy.

In summary, SB 3167 is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean innovation, drive sustainable economic growth, and realize the vision of a resilient, tech-enabled future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.



Hawaii's Finest Macadamia Nuts ~ Chocolates ~ Confections

Statement of
Batdelger Jaavaa, CFO
Purdyco, Ltd. dba Island Princess
before the
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Purdyco, Ltd dba Island Princess is a Hawai'i-based agricultural and food manufacturing company engaged in the farming, processing, and marketing of macadamia nuts and confectionery products. Our operations depend on responsible land use, clean water, and healthy surrounding ecosystems, all of which are closely tied to the health of Hawai'i's oceans and coastal environments.

HTDC's leadership in advancing ocean and marine innovation supports broader environmental stewardship efforts that benefit agriculture, manufacturing, and rural communities. SB 3167's focus on developing a coordinated statewide blue economy and ocean technology strategy will help align innovation, sustainability, and economic growth. This strategic approach supports long-term resilience for local agricultural businesses like ours by strengthening environmental planning, resource protection, and cross-sector collaboration.

In summary, SB 3167 is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean innovation, drive sustainable economic growth, and realize the vision of a resilient, tech-enabled future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.
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Statement of
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COHI, Inc. dba Coffees of Hawaii
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COHI, Inc. dba Coffees of Hawaii operates a coffee farm and roasting facility on the island of Moloka'i and sources coffee from farms across Hawaii'i. As a vertically integrated agricultural business, we are deeply committed to responsible land stewardship, sustainable farming practices, and protecting Hawaii's natural resources. The health of Hawaii's oceans is closely connected to agriculture through watershed management, water quality, and environmental resilience—particularly for rural and neighbor island communities like Moloka'i.

HTDC's efforts to advance marine and ocean innovation directly support coordinated planning and long-term sustainability that benefits both ocean- and land-based industries. SB 3167's directive to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology strategy will help ensure that innovation is aligned with community needs, environmental protection, and economic diversification. This strategic coordination strengthens the foundation for sustainable growth across Hawaii's rural economies and natural resource-based industries.

In summary, SB 3167 is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean innovation, drive sustainable economic growth, and realize the vision of a resilient, tech-enabled future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

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RELATING TO HAWAI‘I TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

To: Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
Chair Lynn DeCoite, Vice Chair Glenn Wakai, and Esteemed Members of the Committee

Submitted by:
Privateer Space Inc.
Alana Marsili

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

Privateer Space Inc. respectfully submits this testimony **in strong support of SB3167**, which provides funding and capacity-building resources to the Hawai‘i Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) through professional services.

Privateer is a U.S.-based space and data intelligence company focused on delivering decision-ready insights derived from commercial space, maritime, and environmental data. Our work sits at the intersection of ocean awareness, climate resilience, commercial innovation, and national security — domains in which Hawai‘i plays an outsized and strategic role.

SB3167 represents a timely and necessary investment in the institutional capacity that enables Hawai‘i’s innovation economy to function at scale. HTDC serves as a critical connector between government, academia, startups, and private industry. Strengthening its ability to access professional services directly enhances Hawai‘i’s competitiveness as a global hub for ocean technology, maritime innovation, and applied research.

From our perspective as a technology company operating across public-private ecosystems, access to capable, well-resourced innovation intermediaries like HTDC is essential. Capacity-building investments do not merely improve administrative efficiency — they accelerate commercialization, de-risk public-private partnerships, and help ensure that emerging technologies move from pilot to operational impact.

Hawai‘i’s geographic position, maritime domain, and deep ties to ocean science uniquely position the state to lead in next-generation ocean and maritime technologies. SB3167 strengthens the institutional foundation required to translate that strategic advantage into durable economic development, workforce growth, and innovation leadership.

For these reasons, Privateer Space Inc. **strongly supports SB3167** and respectfully urges the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism to advance this measure.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony and for your continued leadership in advancing Hawai‘i’s technology and innovation ecosystem.

Respectfully submitted,
Alana Marsili
Privateer Space Inc.



Purple Mai'a Foundation

Aloha mai Chair and Committee Members, mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

My name is Keoni DeFranco, and I am testifying on behalf of **Purple Mai'a** in strong support of **SB3167**, relating to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation and the development of a statewide blue economy and ocean technology strategy.

Purple Mai'a is a Hawai'i-based nonprofit that supports local innovation, technology development, and workforce pathways rooted in community needs and Indigenous values. Much of our work focuses on ensuring that emerging technology sectors translate into real opportunities for Hawai'i's people and long-term stewardship of 'āina and kai.

SB3167 recognizes both Hawai'i's unique position in the Pacific and the rapidly evolving nature of ocean-based industries. As the blue economy increasingly shifts toward innovation-driven sectors such as ocean technology, data systems, marine robotics, and coastal resiliency solutions, Hawai'i must move beyond fragmented efforts and toward a coordinated, strategic approach.

Requiring the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to lead a comprehensive study and strategy is a practical and timely step. HTDC is well positioned to convene public agencies, industry, academic institutions, and community partners, and to align workforce development, infrastructure planning, and commercialization pathways around a shared vision.

From Purple Mai'a's perspective, this effort is especially important for connecting education and workforce pipelines to real-world ocean and maritime technology needs, while ensuring that innovation supports sustainability, resilience, and community benefit rather than extraction alone.

This bill lays the groundwork for informed investment, stronger coordination, and long-term competitiveness, while honoring the deep knowledge and stewardship Native Hawaiians have maintained with the ocean.

For these reasons, Purple Mai'a respectfully supports SB3167 and urges your favorable consideration.

Mahalo for your time and leadership.

Keoni DeFranco, Managing Director



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February 9 2026

Committee on Economic Development & Technology

In consideration of **SB3167**
RELATING TO MARINE AFFAIRS

Dear Chair, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee,

Marine Genetics strongly **SUPPORTS SB 3167**, which formally recognizes the State of Hawai'i as an ocean cluster and advises HTDC to hire a consultant to coordinate development in the Ocean Economy. This bill is a critical step to strengthen Hawai'i's leadership in the blue economy and grow economic opportunities across the Pacific Islands.

Hawai'i's blue economy contributes over \$10 billion to our GDP and supports 100,000 jobs, with marine business activity growing 23% in the past decade. As the U.S. largest island state in the Pacific and ocean steward in the second largest Exclusive Economic Zone, Hawai'i is not only uniquely positioned to innovate but to attract federal, philanthropic, and private investments to sustain the local blue economy and address critical marine issues.

SB3167 provides dedicated leadership, strategic coordination across the public and private sectors, and annual reporting for Hawai'i blue economy activities, ensuring that economic development, technology advancement, and cultural stewardship remain priorities. The bill will help attract new funding opportunities, create future-ready jobs, and support collaboration across public-private sectors.

I founded and developed the world's first SPF shrimp breeding company which was based at NELHA. We commercialized the Hawaii-born SPF shrimp technology and sold SPF broodstock to 26 countries. This Hawaii-born technology transformed the global shrimp industry and resulted in a 6x growth in the industry. Hawaii companies now export over \$20M/year in SPF products. After 20 years in business we sold the company to an Asian multinational. My experience is a good example of what Hawaii can achieve in Ocean Industries if the industry receives government support.

In summary, SB3167 is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean technology and innovation while realizing the vision of a resilient economic future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

Sincerely,

Jim Wyban, Founder/CEO
Marine Genetics LLC



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Statement of
Valerie Harmon
Founder and CEO
Namaka Algae, Inc.
before the

Senate Committee on Economic Development & Tourism

Tuesday, February 10, 2026
1:02 PM

State Capitol, Conference Room 229 & Videoconference

In consideration of
SB 3167

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee on Economic Development & Tourism.

Nāmaka Algae, Inc. strongly **SUPPORTS** SB 3167, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to procure a third-party consultant to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy. Hawaii's unique geographic position and rich ocean resources present a significant opportunity to lead in the emerging blue economy, a sector projected by the OECD to reach \$3 trillion globally by 2030. Developing robust ocean technology not only aligns with HTDC's mission to position Hawaii as a premier innovation hub in the Pacific, but also creates high-quality jobs, attracts investment, and diversifies our economy beyond tourism.

Nāmaka Algae, Inc. is a technology first company focused on low-cost algae biomass for fish superfoods. We produce in Hawai'i for Hawai'i markets and plan to expand to the US mainland and globally for larger market access and profitability. Aquaculture has the potential to provide efficient, low carbon footprint protein to feed our growing populations, and at Nāmaka we aim to support the growth of this industry by providing quality, reliable and nutritious feed ingredients made from microalgae. We support HTDCs programs which benefit our company greatly. The focus on Marine and Ocean tech and industries is vital to continue the growth and expansion of our industries to support job growth, and ultimately improved food security for our Islands.

In summary, SB 3167 is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean innovation, drive sustainable economic growth, and realize the vision of a resilient, tech-enabled future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.



Aloha,

Valerie Harmon

Valerie Harmon



Statement of
W. Reeve Hicks
Engineering Project Manager
Makai Ocean Engineering
before the
Committee on Economic Development and Technology

Tuesday, February 10th, 2026
1:02pm
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In consideration of
SB3167
RELATING TO THE HAWAI'I TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Chair Lynn DeCoite and Vice Chair Glenn Wakai and Members of the Committee on Economic Development and Technology

Reeve Hicks from Makai Ocean Engineering strongly **SUPPORTS SB3167**, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to contract for a consultant to advance the state's ocean technology and innovation initiatives. Hawai'i's Blue Economy is a vital driver of prosperity and resilience for our islands, contributing over \$10 billion annually to the state's GDP, supporting 100,000 jobs in marine-related sectors. Over the past decade, we have also seen a remarkable 23% increase in marine business activity, reflecting Hawai'i's unique capacity for growth and innovative ocean solutions.

As the U.S.'s largest island state in the Pacific, stewarding ocean resources in the second largest Exclusive Economic Zone (EEA), Hawai'i plays a critical role. Advancing ocean technology and innovation directly aligns with HTDC's mission and leverages our natural strengths, positioning Hawai'i as a strategic innovation hub in the Pacific. This bill will create future-ready jobs and unlock additional federal, philanthropic, and private funding to not only sustain our economy but address critical marine challenges.

HTDC's programs and efforts in the marine technology ecosystem have provided numerous networking, workforce development and necessary support for local technology companies, serving as a catalyst helping to develop this growing sector in Hawaii. Many opportunities within our programs have been substantially enhanced and, in several cases, been made possible through support from HTDC and their consultants. HTDC is currently facilitating meaningful partnership and ecosystem development efforts that will have a tangible impact on our team and other local companies, advancing local innovation, expanding industry opportunities, and helping retain technical talent in Hawai'i. Support for this bill will help ensure that Hawaii continues to grow as a competitive hub for marine engineering and blue-economy innovation.

In summary, **SB3167** is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in ocean technology and innovation while realizing the vision of a resilient economic future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

Sincerely,

W. Reeve Hicks

Engineering Project Manager, Makai Ocean Engineering

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Comments:

Hawaii Fish Company, established in 1978, is a North Shore aquafarm and actively involved in the blue economy. We support SB3167 which would enable HTDC to retain a third-party consultant to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy. Hawaii's unique geographic position and rich ocean resources present a significant opportunity to lead in the emerging blue economy. This measure will support a critical planning step in pursuit of this important State and aquaculture industry goal.

Testimony to the Senate Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

**Senator Lynn DeCoite, Chair
Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair**

**Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at 1:02PM
Conference Room 229 & Videoconference**

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RE: SB3167 Relating to the Technology Development Corporation

Aloha e Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Sherry Menor, President and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii ("The Chamber"). The Chamber supports Senate Bill 3167 (SB3167), which requires the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation to procure a third-party consultant to develop a statewide blue economy and ocean technology and innovation strategy.

SB 3167 aligns with the Economic Action Pillar of the Chamber's 2030 Blueprint for Hawaii, which prioritizes strategic investment in high-growth sectors, workforce development, technology commercialization, and economic diversification. This bill promotes sustainable innovation within the ocean, the state's most abundant resource and clearest area of competitive advantage. With the development of a strategic framework, Hawaii can accelerate commercialization of ocean technologies, contribute towards lower the cost of living, and elevate the state's profile as a hub for ocean innovation.

The Hawaii Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) is the appropriate entity to oversee this initiative, as it has established expertise in technology commercialization, public-private partnerships, and strategic ecosystem development. HTDC's existing relationships with startups, research institutions, and federal partners position it to stimulate innovation and bring these ideas to market. As the state's designated organization for advancing technology-driven economic growth, HTDC is uniquely suited to coordinate a statewide blue economy strategy.

For these reasons, the Chamber respectfully ask to pass Senate Bill 3167. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii is the state's leading business advocacy organization, dedicated to improving Hawaii's economy and securing Hawaii's future for growth and opportunity. Our mission is to foster a vibrant economic climate. As such, we support initiatives and policies that align with the 2030 Blueprint for Hawaii that create opportunities to strengthen overall competitiveness, improve the quantity and skills of available workforce, diversify the economy, and build greater local wealth.

DATE: February 09, 2026

TO: **Senator Lynn DeCoite**, The Senate Committee on Economic Development & Tourism
Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, The Senate Committee on Ways & Means

FROM: George Yarbrough, IEDC Economic Recovery Corps Fellow

RE: S.B. 3167 – RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

HEARING DATE: Tuesday 10, 2026

Dear Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee:

I submit this testimony in **strong support of Senate Bill 3167**, which directs the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to procure a third-party consultant to develop a comprehensive blue economy and ocean technology strategy.

I am an Economic Recovery Corps Fellow with the International Economic Development Council (IEDC), and for several years I have worked to coordinate Hawai'i's ocean technology ecosystem by attracting investment and supporting local startups. Through collaborations with partners like the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation, University of Hawai'i, and established mainland ocean clusters, I have witnessed firsthand the critical need for strategic coordination in Hawai'i's blue economy sector.

The urgency for this bill is underscored by the recent UHERO report, which reveals that Hawai'i's economy is steadily **"falling behind"** the rest of the nation. The report indicates that our economic distress is not merely a "price of paradise" issue, but a result of **stagnant productivity and limited opportunity** that has persisted for 35 years. I propose we buck this trend. I grew up here and returned to start a family. I want this Hawai'i to be a place of opportunity for my 2-year-old daughter.

S.B. 3167 provides the critical infrastructure needed to translate Hawai'i's ocean potential into economic reality. The bill's approach—utilizing specialized consultants—is particularly smart for several reasons:

First, flexibility. Consultants can be engaged immediately while HTDC builds the capacity for permanent staff. This interim support ensures momentum isn't lost during organizational development.

Second, expertise. The blue economy requires specialized knowledge across maritime technology, marine biotechnology, autonomous systems, aquaculture, and coastal resiliency. Top-tier consultants bring this cross-sector expertise and national best practices that would take years to develop internally.

Third, strategic foundation. By developing a clear implementation roadmap with milestones, stakeholder roles, and actionable steps—as outlined in the bill—consultants will create the organizational architecture that future permanent staff can execute. This is essential groundwork.

We cannot afford to remain uncoordinated. This consultant engagement will position HTDC to hire the right permanent staff with clear mandates and proven strategies.

Aloha,

George Yarbrough

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Statement of
Doreen Wong
Ocean Technology and Innovation Advisor
before the
Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

Tuesday, February 10, 2026
1:02 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 229 & Videoconference

In consideration of
SB3167
RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Chair DeCoite and Vice Chair Wakai and Members of the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism,

I, Doreen Wong, an ocean technology and innovation professional, strongly **SUPPORT SB3167**, which directs the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation to contract for a consultant to advance the state's ocean technology and innovation initiatives.

[Hawai'i's blue economy](#) is a vital driver of prosperity and resilience for our islands, contributing over \$10 billion annually to the state's GDP, supporting 100,000 jobs in marine-related sectors. Over the past decade, marine business activity has increased by 23% reflecting Hawai'i's unique capacity for growth and innovative ocean solutions. As the largest island state in the Pacific, stewarding ocean resources in the U.S. 's second largest Exclusive Economic Zone (EEA), Hawai'i plays a critical role in ocean stewardship. Advancing ocean technology and innovation directly aligns with HTDC's mission and leverages our state's natural strengths, positioning Hawai'i as a strategic innovation hub in the Pacific. SB3167 will create future-ready jobs and unlock federal, philanthropic, and private funding to sustain our economy and address critical marine challenges that require public-private sector coordination.

I bring experience working at global, regional, and local levels in the blue economy, ocean technology, and innovation. I currently advise NOAA-funded Ocean Enterprise Accelerators, including UC San Diego's StartBlue and VentureWell, and have collaborated with HTDC and the University of Hawai'i to develop our local ocean technology and innovation ecosystem. As a Contributing Member of the 1000 Ocean Startups coalition—a global network of over 60 incubators, accelerators, venture capital firms, and other capital providers, several with ties to Hawai'i—I have seen firsthand the rapid growth of ocean innovation and investment opportunities worldwide. Hawai'i has yet to fully unlock its potential in this sector.

Strategic investments in public-private coordination, innovation, economic growth, and workforce development have proven successful in regions, such as San Diego, Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Maine, New England, Florida, Norway, Iceland, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, and more. These efforts can double economic

returns. Every U.S. state in the Pacific West already has some policy in place to support this. Now is the time for Hawai'i, considering UHERO's recent economic report: [*Beyond the Price of Paradise: Is Hawai'i Being Left Behind?*](#). By passing SB3167, Hawai'i can build on its natural strengths and become a model for the Pacific Islands in ocean technology and innovation, while highlighting its leadership in Indigenous knowledge and values.

Since August 2025, HTDC has convened over 45 organizations and 80 individuals from government, academia, industry, and the community to co-design a statewide ocean technology and innovation strategy. This collaborative effort has revealed significant opportunities for Hawai'i to further grow its blue economy and address marine issues. SB3167 is an important next step. Supporting this bill will help HTDC move from planning to implementation, enabling systems-level coordination, supporting research and policy development, advancing workforce training, and building out the technology and innovation ecosystem.

I would also recommend that the committee consider amending **SB3167** by consolidating **SB3167**, **SB2907** and **SB2374**. The governance framework proposed in **SB2907** should be supported by the technical strategy goals of **SB3167** and **SB2374**. Separate strategies and task forces risk duplicating efforts and becoming another "report on the shelf". By combining the appropriate components of these bills into a single, focused measure for the blue economy, the State can create a more cohesive and supportive system for high-level strategy and operational coordination, unlocking economic opportunities for Hawai'i.

In summary, **SB3167** is a timely and necessary measure to catalyze Hawaii's leadership in the blue economy and ocean technology and innovation, and to realize the vision of a resilient economic future for our islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doreen Wong". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Doreen" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Wong".

Doreen Wong
Ocean Technology and Innovation Advisor
Contributing Member, 1000 Ocean Startups

SB-3167

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Comments:

Aloha Committee Members,

Hawaii is a unique archipelago located in the heart of the Pacific Ocean. We are perfectly positioned to sustainably develop and benefit from our ocean resources. Let's not waste the chance to diversify the sources of our socioeconomic prosperity. I urge the committee to **SUPPORT** HB3167!