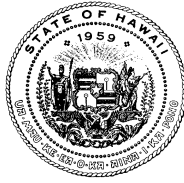


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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB0946 SD2 HD2
RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGMENT.**

REPRESENTATIVE DAVID A. TARNAS, CHAIR
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

March 27, 2025; 2:00 PM; Room Number: 325

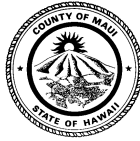
- 1 **Fiscal Implications:** Undetermined.
- 2 **Department Position:** The Department of Health ("Department") supports this measure.
- 3 **Department Testimony:** The Environmental Management Division Clean Water Branch
- 4 (EMD-CWB) provides this testimony on behalf of the Department supporting this measure.
- 5 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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March 26, 2025

TO: The Honorable David A. Tarnas, Chair
House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

FROM: Alice L. Lee
Council Chair 

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF MARCH 27, 2025; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF TO SB946, SD2, HD2, RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT**

I **support** this measure to clarify the prohibition on discharging wastewater or raw sewage into State waters after December 31, 2026, includes treatment plants.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I **support** this measure for the following reasons:

1. By refining discharge regulations, this measure would enable the Central Maui Wastewater Reclamation Facility to move forward without expensive delays.
2. The proposed Central Maui Wastewater Reclamation Facility is a much-needed project to serve existing and planned developments throughout the Waikapū and Wailuku areas and State of Hawai'i projects in Pūlehunui.

Thank you for your consideration.

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SB-946-HD-2

Submitted on: 3/25/2025 10:20:42 PM

Testimony for JHA on 3/27/2025 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Chanara Casey Richmond	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support SB946. Chanara Richmond. HD42