

Bill 5
Early Testimony



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TO:
City and County of Honolulu City Council
Ron Menor, Chair
Ikaika Anderson, Vice Chair

FROM: HAWAII FOOD INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION
Lauren Zirbel, Executive Director

DATE: Wednesday, January 31, 2018
TIME: 10am
PLACE: City Council Chamber

RE: Bill 5 2018 Relating to Litter Reduction, Recycling, and Composting Incentives

Position: Support

The Hawaii Food Industry Association is comprised of two hundred member companies representing retailers, suppliers, producers, and distributors of food and beverage related products in the State of Hawaii.

This is a positive, proactive measure that creates incentives for businesses to invest in measures to reduce harmful waste. Reducing the amount of waste that ends up in landfills, and helping individuals dispose of waste responsibly so that it doesn't end up as litter are laudable goals. By taking a comprehensive and cooperative approach this measure makes it easier for businesses to participate, and can help reduce a wide range of problematic types of waste. We encourage you to pass this measure and we thank you for the opportunity to testify.

From: CLK Council Info
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 12:13 PM
Subject: Public Works, Infrastructure and Sustainability Speaker Registration/testimony

Speaker Registration/Testimony

Name Gaven Wu
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Meeting Date 01-31-2018
Council/PH Committee PublicWorks
Agenda Item Bill 5
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization Papa's cafe
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony This bill offers us the flexibility to choose what makes most sense for our restaurant, instead of banning certain types of containers. We want to be a part of this cooperative solution by making it easier to recycle or compost at our restaurants.

Testimony Attachment

Accept Terms and Agreement 1

From: CLK Council Info
Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 2018 10:21 AM
Subject: Public Works, Infrastructure and Sustainability Speaker Registration/testimony

Speaker Registration/Testimony

Name Eric Wong
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Meeting Date 01-31-2018
Council/PH Committee PublicWorks
Agenda Item Bill 5 Solutions to reduce litter
Your position on the matter Support
Representing Organization
Organization LoCo MoCo Drive Inn -Ewa Beach
Do you wish to speak at the hearing? No

Written Testimony
We are grateful that the council is now focusing on the real causes of litter rather than blaming plate lunch establishments and increasing our cost and prices to consumers. We want to be a part of a collaborative solution in making it easier to recycle, compost to reduce litter and better our sustainable environment. The rest of the world esp. in Asia has wonderful on site recycling/composting receptacles at food establishments, why not Hawai'i? Thank you,
Eric Wong, LoCoMoCo Drive Inn - Ewa Beach

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Honolulu City Council
Wednesday, January 31, 2018

10:00 am

Bill 5, Relating to Litter Reduction, Recycling, and
Composting Incentives

Position: Support

Chair Menor, Vice Anderson and Members of the Honolulu City Council:

I am Robert Kline, Senior Account Executive of Hawaii's Finest Products, LLC (HFP) and its sister company, KYD, Inc. HFP is the local manufacturer of polystyrene foam food service containers and together, the companies provide jobs to about 90 men and women. We distribute foam food service and compostable containers as well as other packaging materials throughout the State.

We support this proposed measure that provides incentives for all restaurants that are certified as a litter-reducing restaurant. It fosters immediate actions that help manage post-consumer waste at food eateries through such requirements as a recycling policy, lids on trash cans for prevention of fly-away litter, and litter education for employees and customers.

On a longer term, it can support pathways for the City to establish a city-operated expanded polystyrene food container recycling program or a composting facility for compostable paper food containers.

This is in line with comprehensive approaches to Honolulu's waste management system improvements that must include practical analysis of recycling, commercial composting and HPower as solutions for reducing Oahu's land-based litter. Public/private partnerships for stronger litter prevention, education and enforcement are also elements of such a comprehensive approach.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



From: CLK Council Info
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 11:55 PM
Subject: Public Works, Infrastructure and Sustainability Speaker Registration/testimony

Speaker Registration/Testimony

Name	Isaac
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Meeting Date	01-31-2018
Council/PH Committee	Public Works
Agenda Item	Bill 5
Your position on the matter	Support
Representing	Organization
Organization	Azteca Restaurant
Do you wish to speak at the hearing?	No
Written Testimony	Working together with the city we can all help in reducing litter.
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