

HHT Committee

From: Gabor Karakas <gaborkarakas@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:03 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Testimony for hearing: Mon Nov 19 1:30pm HHT-43

Aloha,

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AMENDING CHAPTER 6.04, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL (HHT-43)

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Mahalo,
Gabor

HHT Committee

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Mahalo,
Kin

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Mahalo,
Ho Ying

HHT Committee

From: Alana Ross <alana@hanaweddingco.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:20 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Oppose HHT-43!!

I am writing in strong opposition to HHT-43 scheduled for Monday, November 19, 2018.

Hawaii has a very hot climate. Have you ever tried to stay in the sun all day without shade? Before you oppose the bill, try it for yourself!

Heatstroke causes death and if you purposefully keep animals in the sun without shade you are committing attempted murder of the helpless animals.

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HHT Committee

From: Reiri, Amy <AReiri@guestsupply.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:31 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: HHT-43

To Whom It May Concern,

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Sincerely,
Amy Reiri
Resident Kihei Maui

Amy Reiri

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From: J. Scott Meidell <scott@haleakalaranch.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:38 AM
To: HHT Committee
Cc: Don Young; Greg Friel; Jordan Jokiel; 'William and Anne Marie Jacintho'; 'Carol Reimann'
Subject: Haleakala Ranch Company - Testimony in re HHT-43
Attachments: HR_HHT_20181119.pdf

Aloha

Kindly refer to the attached testimony.

Mahalo

J. Scott Meidell

Senior Vice President
Real Estate & Land Management



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HALEAKALA RANCH

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November 19, 2018

TESTIMONY OF HALEAKALA RANCH COMPANY

BEFORE THE HOUSING HUMAN SERVICES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE OF THE MAUI COUNTY COUNCIL

Monday, November 19, 2018 at 1:30pm
Council Chambers, 8th Floor
Kalana O Maui Building

AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 6.04 OF THE MAUI COUNTY CODE RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL (HHT-43)

Honorable Stacey Crivello, Chair
Honorable Robert Carroll, Vice-Chair
Honorable Riki Hokama, Member
Honorable Alika Atay, Member
Honorable Elle Cochran, Member
Honorable Stacy Crivello, Member
Honorable Don S. Guzman, Member
Honorable Kelly T. King, Member
Honorable Mike White, Member

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendment.

Haleakala Ranch Company supports deferral of action on this amendment for the following reasons:

- The referenced portion of the MCC and the proposed amendment **have the potential to profoundly impact the livestock industry** in the County of Maui. Livestock operations in the County provide critical landscape-level land management functions and are a crucial remaining component of the local agricultural industry.
- **The concerns of all stakeholders require thorough discussion** in order for the impacts and consequences to the community of any amendment can be fully understood.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of this action.

Sincerely,

J. Scott Meidell
Senior Vice President

HHT Committee

From: County Clerk
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 10:44 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: FW: OPPOSE amending chapter 6.04, Maui County Code. Relating to animal control

From: Suzie Dorn <suziedorn@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 8:18 AM
To: Mike White <Mike.White@mauicounty.us>
Cc: yuki.lee@mauicounty.us; Donald S. Guzman <Donald.Guzman@mauicounty.us>; Riki Hokama <Riki.Hokama@mauicounty.us>; Elle Cochran <Elle.Cochran@mauicounty.us>; stacey.crivello@mauicounty.us; Alika A. Atay <Alika.Atay@mauicounty.us>; Kelly King <Kelly.King@mauicounty.us>; Robert Carroll <Robert.Carroll@mauicounty.us>; County Clerk <County.Clerk@mauicounty.us>
Subject: OPPOSE amending chapter 6.04, Maui County Code. Relating to animal control

November 16, 2018

To: Council Chair White and Council Members,

Regarding: "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6.04, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL,"

I FULLY OPOSE and DO NOT SUPPORT Yuki Lei's proposal to amend Chapter 6.04 Maui County Code relating to Animal Control.

If approved; this bill will exempt:

Persons engaged in animal husbandry or the livestock industry with the intention of harvesting livestock for human consumption or other commodities."

By adding this exemption to MCC 6.04 animals will have NO protection and will not be required to be cared for in a humane way. This exemption will take away ANY and ALL animal rights.

Currently 6.04 MCC reads:

"Humane manner" means care sufficient to preserve the health and well-being of an animal and, except for emergencies or circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the owner, includes, but is not limited to, the following requirements:

1. Food of sufficient quantity and quality to allow for normal growth or maintenance of body weight;
2. Open or adequate access to potable water in sufficient quantity to satisfy the animal's needs;
3. Access to a barn, dog house, or other suitable shelter sufficient to protect the animal from wind, rain, and sun, said shelter shall ensure the animals health and well-being;
4. The shelter shall contain adequate bedding to protect the animal from wet and dampness;
5. Veterinary care deemed necessary by a reasonably prudent person to relieve distress from injury, neglect, and disease;
6. Adequate space for exercise necessary for the health of the animal consistent with prudent animal care practices and access to a dry place for the animal to rest;
7. If confined, confinement area kept reasonably clean and free from excess waste or other contaminants which could affect the animal's health and air temperature suitable for the animal involved.

I request ALL Council Members to vote against this bill, all animals need proper food, shelter and veterinary care. Do not allow livestock to be exempt from this code. Keep the code as is so all animals can be cared for humanely.

Regards,

Suzanne Dorn,
Kihei Hawaii

HHT Committee

From: Jennifer Kogan <dadmun2@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 11:15 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Opposition to HHT-43

Aloha,

I am writing in strong opposition to HHT-43 scheduled for Monday, November 19, 2018.

I disagree with any attempt to repeal basic animal welfare laws for livestock and farm animals. Please do not approve this bill.

Maui sun is strong and hot. Every animal deserves and needs protection from the elements. Lacking shade, animals can overheat, dehydrate and be in great discomfort.

Please do not remove shade laws that are in effect, and always strive to create safe conditions for farm animals on this island.

Please do not support HHT-43.

I am a Maui resident. Contact me with any questions or to get further information on my stance.

Thank you for your time, attention and consideration.

Mahalo,
Jennifer Kogan
808-281-4054

HHT Committee

From: Diana Douglas <woodart@mauigateway.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 11:24 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: HHT-43

I come from a long line of ranching families. We were raised to take good care of all the animals. All animals deserve basic humane protection. Shade is important for an animal's general welfare. I am in opposition to HHT-43.

Please take these facts into consideration before voting.

Thank you,
Diana Douglas

HHT Committee

From: Rene Umberger <octopus@maui.net>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 11:18 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Testimony on HHT 43 -- OPPOSED
Attachments: tips-shade-and-cattle-during-hot-summer.pdf

Aloha Chair Crivello, Vice Chair Carroll and HHT committee members,

I am writing in strong opposition to HHT 43 which would amend Chapter 6.04, Relating to Animal Control, by exempting farm animals and livestock from long-standing county requirements that they are treated in a humane manner. Surely, this proposal has no place in today's world which is becoming more, not less, compassionate toward animals and where corporations such as Costco, Walmart, McDonalds, Aramark, Compass Group, General Mills, Kellogg, are adopting practices that reflect a shift toward a more humane business model.

Please see the attached as part of my testimony, documenting that shade is vitally important for cattle, and proposing minimum shade space requirements for cattle in Missouri. As you know, Maui temperatures soared this summer and the heat index was over 100 degrees on numerous days.

Every animal under our care deserves to be treated humanely. I urge you to stay on the path toward a more humane society and economy, and reject this proposal entirely.

Mahalo,
Rene Umberger
Kihei

Tips for Shade and Cattle during the Hot Summer

by:- David Burton, University Of Missouri Extension



According to Eldon Cole, livestock specialist with University of Missouri Extension, shade for beef cattle in southwest Missouri is vitally important and even helpful.

Research findings on cattle and shade, including tests in Missouri and Arkansas, confirm that natural shade from trees gave better animal performance than shade from constructed shades.

"Twenty-five square feet per adult cow is a bare minimum for shade space with 30 to 40 feet preferred to prevent crowding and poor air movement," said Cole.

Research also shows that dark haired and heavier coated cattle benefit from shade more than those with lighter coats.

"Bull fertility appears to drop in hot weather so shade may also be of some benefit if you're in the midst of the breeding season," said Cole.

It is also important to know that some breeds, such as the Brahman and Brahman crosses, tolerate the heat better than others. Likewise, some animals within a breed handle heat better than others.

"Slick, short-haired cattle grazing warm season grasses will suffer less production loss than those on endophyte infected fescue. Fall-calving cows tend to be more tolerant of the heat than spring-calvers. Heavy cattle traffic around trees can kill trees and may result in poor manure distribution, so manage accordingly,"

said Cole.

In recent years, MU researchers have also found that access to shade improves weight gains for calves. Reducing heat stress also significantly improves pregnancy rates.

HHT Committee

From: Kimberly Gordey <kimgordey5@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 11:53 AM
To: HHT Committee
Cc: Tessa Gordey; Tessa Gordey; maddi.swail@hotmail.com; CARLA IRVINE; Karen Stiewe; helenschiele@telus.net; Moira Drosdovech; Wendy Aigner; Trudy Massong; Olivia Gordey; Jodey Castricano; John Tyler Binfet; Schafer Nick
Subject: HHT.43 - friends, please copy and paste this email and send to same place, if you can please in the next hour as they are voting on it.

Aloha Council/Committee Members,

I was advised you are going to make a decision at 1 pm. to eliminate requirements for shade for goats, sheep, cattle and horses. It is my understanding that this would exempt the livestock industry from state law.

I oppose although I am a Canadian citizen, and don't understand who would want to be so cruel to these animals to not grant them necessary shelter from the heat via the law. When it isn't a requirement, and let's say you have it as a recommended practice, then literally there will be some irresponsible farmers who literally will let their animals cook in the Maui heat and it not be punishable by law.

Why Why Why?????

I am opposed to HHT.43 and as a tourist if this atrocity towards your farm animals is allowed I will consider spending my tourism dollars elsewhere.

Regards,

Kim Gaalaas

HHT Committee

From: CARLA IRVINE <carirvine@shaw.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 11:58 AM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Animal cruelty

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Regards,
Carla Irvine
Sent from my iPad

HHT Committee

From: Tessa Gordey <tessagordey@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:01 PM
To: HHT Committee

Hello,

I am from Canada and I am so disappointed to hear about the council considering taking away mandatory shelters for Maui animals. As an animal lover, I would definitely reconsider coming back if the law was revoked. Please do not revoke this law! Have compassion for these animals, if it is to hot for you it is to hot for them too. Please have a heart for animals and what they would endure before slaughter.

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HHT Committee

From: maddi swail <maddi.swail@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:04 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Animal torture? They feel heat like we do

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From: Tessa Gordey <nakedcafeKelowna@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 12:05 PM
To: HHT Committee

Board members,

I beg you to reconsider removing the law that requires animals to have protection from the elements. In 2018 we know that animals feel pain just as we do, overheat just like we do and want to be out of harms way just like we do. Providing shelters is the least we can do to protect these animals while their alive. This will definitely sway my decision to return to the island if the law is passed.

HHT Committee

From: lepatriinu@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 1:12 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: opposition to HHT-43

Please do not repeal this very basic animal welfare law. Removing shade laws is cruel. Please do not remove these protections.

Thank you,
Tiiu Kellasaare
Haiku, HI

HHT Committee

From: muirbean@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 1:30 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: HHT-43

Something came up and we are unable to make it to the committee meeting today. We are vehemently opposed to any decrease in the already paltry animal welfare requirements on the island. How would you like to sit around in the blazing sun in a fur coat? This is inhumane. These animals are thinking and feeling just like us. Cattlemen trying to make more money off the suffering of animals is not right. Please choose kindness and compassion!

Vote NO on HHT-43

Erin Pinto
Paia

HHT Committee

From: Sarah Rice <s.rice287@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:13 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: HHT-43

Aloha,

I just learned of HHT-43, which proposes to eliminate shade law requirements for livestock and other animals on Maui. This is extremely disturbing, and I wanted to let you know that I vehemently oppose this proposition. As a resident of Oahu and not Maui, I realize that I am not a voter in Maui County. However, if this is approved, I will no longer purchase any products originating from Maui, nor will I spend my tourist money to visit the island. I absolutely cannot support taking away basic rights from animals, in order to increase corporate profits. It is abhorrent that this would be proposed, and I hope that the people of Maui do the right thing. Please consider my testimony if it isn't too late. Mahalo for your consideration.

Sarah Rice

HHT Committee

From: Lily R <lrobeau@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:37 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Strong opposition to HHT-43

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Lillian Renfro-Robeau

HHT Committee

From: Donna Lee <maucats22@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 4:18 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Animal welfare.

To whom it may concern:

To remove shelter, shade or any type of weather relief for animals does not make sense. All animals, including pets need this like they need food and water. Please reconsider this measure and do the humane thing. Sincerely, D.M. Lee

HHT Committee

From: Ann Pitcaithley <pitcaith@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 6:05 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: HHT-43

Dear HHT Committee Members,

I understand that there was an amendment, HHT-43 , introduced by Yuki Lei Sugimura that would eliminate shade for goats, sheep, cattle and horses. I know that there are laws requiring shelter from the sun for dogs, so why not livestock.? I believe most people whether they are animal lovers or not that would disagree that this as inhumane treatment of animals. I have seen cows huddled tightly together in the shade under a small tree seeking relief from the sun. Hawaii has a hot and humid climate and am outraged to learn that this is even being considered.

Thank you,

Ann Pitcaithley, Maui
250-2280

HHT Committee

From: Stephanie Nelson <kibettoo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 6:17 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: Strongly Opposing HHT-43

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Do what is right for the welfare of the animals.

Aloha,

Stephanie M. Nelson

An active constituent and voter.

“If the person you are talking to doesn't appear to be listening, be patient. It may simply be that he has a small piece of fluff in his ear.”

– A.A. Milne, *Winnie-the-Pooh*

HHT Committee

From: Eric Palmer <ericdpalmer90@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 6:20 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: HHT-43 Bill

Greetings,

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-Eric Palmer

HHT Committee

From: Bill Evans <billev2k@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 6:43 PM
To: HHT Committee
Subject: HHT-43

Members of the Maui County HHT committee,

I am a citizen of Haiku, and am writing to express my strong opposition to HHT-43, which I understand is scheduled for Monday, November 19.

A measure of our humanity is how we treat those with less power than ourselves, and livestock are completely at our mercy. All animals deserve basic protections, and Maui has had protections for livestock in place since 1997. Please do not weaken these protections. Please do not give into narrow special interest requests by big business.

Cows have been protected by laws and cared for properly, for decades, on Maui. The attempt to remove protections from cattle and other farm animals is shameful, will result in cruelty to potentially thousands of animals, and will tarnish the good name of the people of Maui. Do not support HHT-43.

On our small farm in Haiku we have only a small flock of chickens. Even in Haiku, where the temperatures are much cooler, our chickens spend the largest part of every day in the shade. I can only imagine the suffering of cows and other large animals in the hotter sides of Maui, were shade unavailable to them.

Again, I strongly request that you OPPOSE HHT-43.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Bill Evans
Haiku, HI