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I support this resolution as it's a no-brainer to preserve our delicate ecosystem and something that should have been done decades ago. Please pass this resolution.
Peter Klune

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Aloha Kaua'i County Council,

This email is to encourage you to, again, support the end of aquarium fishing in Hawaiian waters. "Fish are not stupid. When they see the yellow tang are gone all the clown fish are gone they know something is wrong and don't come around no more." said kupuna Hawaiian fisher kane from Miloli'i.

Let's be a little smarter than fish and recognize there's something very wrong and a permanent stop to the commercial aquarium collection trade in all Hawaiian waters needs be permanent.

Thank you for your attention and support for Item I, 1, Reso. No 2026-46.

David Monasevitch
Lihue

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9 November 2026 MAHALO Monday

12 November 2026

CoK County Council Members

We're grateful for SUPPORT of:

Item I. 1, Resolution No. 2026-46 and including Proposal 4

Please support ! ! ! ! !

Common Sense to make
state-wide prohibited:

Of, Commercial Aquarium Collection of the Reef Fish across Hawai`i Nei.

Supporting
Proposal 4 kokua - to make permanent across
Hawai`i Nei
island-wide - legislative PROTECTION for Reef Fish

CoK and the other counties across Hawai`i - proposed 2027 Legislative Agenda

Please add CoK County Council;
represent " Yes " to the approving proposed bills for 2027 Hawaii Legislature; to safeguard the Reef Fish from Profit Plunder

Enforcement Power PROTECTION -

- Subsistence and Customary Practices of Kanaka

from evil global aquarium trade

Protect Endangered Reef habitat for Reef Ecosystem

MĀLAMALAMA

MAHALO PLENTY ! ! ! ! !

`Ohana
Bator, Keana`aina, Keli`ikoa, Kai`aokamalie and Kai

Lā Kū'oko'a

Lonoikamakai
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Stephanie Funtanilla

From: carl.imparato@juno.com
Sent: Monday, November 9, 2026 3:20 PM
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Subject: Testimony on Bill 3010
Attachments: Carl Imparato Testimony on Bill 3010 - 110926.pdf

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Aloha,

Attached is my testimony on Bill 3010, for which the public hearing will be held this week.

Carl Imparato
PO Box 1102
Hanalei, HI 96714

November 9, 2026

Kauai County Council
4396 Rice Street
Lihue, HI 96766

Re: Bill 3010 (Regarding Uses and Fees for County Facilities)

Aloha Councilmembers,

Currently, classes that are organized and sponsored by an entity that does not have non-profit status, and for which admission is not charged and donations are not solicited, are not allowed at the County's community centers.[1]

Bill 3010 proposes a significant change in this policy: it would allow the use of our neighborhood centers for classes sponsored by for-profit individuals and businesses.

It would be both problematic and imprudent to allow our community centers to become venues for businesses (as opposed to non-profit entities) to teach classes.

- Although such businesses would supposedly not be allowed to "solicit donations," it isn't realistic to police such a "non-solicitation" condition. In Hanalei, we have experienced several times situations in which businesses or individuals have used the county neighborhood center, county parks or state beaches for classes or other commercial activities that were "free" and for which donations were not "solicited", when in fact "donations" were tacitly encouraged or required. Gaining the evidence needed to stop those activities proved to be difficult.

  The proposed change in Bill 3010 would enable and facilitate more of these problems.

- In addition, under Section 19-1.6 of the County Code, if such businesses/individuals were competing with Type III non-profit community groups for the use of a community center at a particular time, those for-profit businesses/individuals would have equal priority with the non-profit community groups, with access granted based only on the time at which the application was submitted.

  This would be harmful to the community groups, as businesses that want to use a neighborhood center for classes on an ongoing basis would typically submit their requests for such ongoing use long before community groups that need to use the facility for community meetings, which are often "as needed" and therefore can not scheduled far in advance.

For these reasons, I ask that the existing prohibition on non-permitted Type IV activities at our community centers be kept in place. Please amend Bill 3010 by keeping in place the "Not permitted" in Row 8 ("Community Centers and Gyms...)" of the "Schedule of Fees" table of the bill.

Thank you for considering this concern.

Carl F. Imparato

Carl Imparato
P.O. Box 1102, Hanalei HI 96714

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[1] These "Type IV" activities are prohibited by Kaua'i County Code Chapter 19, Article 1, Subsection 19-1.9. See Row 8 ("Community Centers and Gyms, and Swimming Pools (Classes taught by non-departmental personnel)" of the "Schedule of Fees" table in Bill 3010.

Stephanie Funtanilla

From: Ariel Bishop <ariellbishop@gmail.com>
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Aloha Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Kauaʻi County Council,

My name is Ariel Bishop. I was born and raised on Kauai, current leader of the Kauaʻi Beekeepers Association, beekeeper at Kauaʻi Community College and a home gardener. I am writing in strong support of Proposed Draft Bill No. 3015 (ZA-2026-8), which would establish a clear legal framework for responsible beekeeping across our island's zoning districts.

When we began this effort over a year and a half ago, my goal was simple: to make responsible beekeeping accessible to everyday residents. Under our current regulations, keeping a few hives can require a costly and time-consuming permitting process simply because of where someone lives. Honeybees do not recognize property boundaries, and their pollination benefits extend to neighborhood gardens, orchards, and small farms. Our zoning regulations should better reflect that reality.

I am especially appreciative of the collaborative process that has brought us to this revised bill. What began as a grassroots effort has benefited from the contributions of fellow beekeepers, community members, Planning Department staff, and Planning Commissioners. Through public testimony, research, and thoughtful discussion, the proposal has evolved to address concerns about neighborhood compatibility, public safety, and environmental protection. The resulting amendments have strengthened the bill with practical standards for responsible hive management.

Importantly, Kauaʻi is not charting an entirely new course. Residential beekeeping is already permitted and regulated in many jurisdictions, including Hawaiʻi County and cities across the mainland. We have the benefit of learning from established approaches while tailoring our ordinance to Kauaʻi's unique circumstances.

Kauaʻi also remains free of the destructive Varroa mite, one of the greatest threats to managed honeybee colonies worldwide. With honeybee imports prohibited, the bees already on our island are an especially valuable resource. Supporting knowledgeable, responsible beekeepers is an important part of protecting them.

This past October, the Kauaʻi Beekeepers Association hosted our first Kauaʻi Island Honey Challenge, featuring 26 entries from across the island and more than 100 community members participating in the public tasting. The event highlighted the remarkable diversity of our local honey and the community's enthusiasm for supporting small agricultural producers and learning about our pollinators.

This ordinance is not about encouraging everyone to become a beekeeper. Beekeeping requires knowledge, time, and ongoing responsibility. Rather, it establishes reasonable standards so those willing to do the work have a clear and lawful path to keeping bees.

I respectfully urge the Council to support Proposed Draft Bill No. 3015. After more than a year of collaboration and public discussion, I believe we have a stronger, more balanced proposal that can serve beekeepers, neighbors, and our island community alike.

Mahalo for your time, consideration, and service to Kauaʻi.

Bee well,
Ariel Bishop

Bees on Kauai

Kauai Beekeepers Association

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From: carl.imparato@juno.com
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November 9, 2026

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Re: Bill 3011 (Regarding Camping on County Property)

Aloha Councilmembers,

The following testimony regards Bill 3011's penalties for illegal camping by non-residents on County property.

I urge the County to take a straightforward "no excuses" policy against illegal camping on County property by out-of-state tourists.

With rising hotel rates and with an increasing number of entities offering rentals of mobile TVRs (vans usable for camping, SUVs and trucks with camper shells, etc., whose business owners advise the renters to park at County parks, beaches and other unauthorized locations), a clear, hard line needs to be drawn. To not do this will simply encourage and facilitate illegal camping. But:

1. Under Section 19-2.7(a) of Bill 3011, non-Hawaii residents who camp without permits would be allowed - even after the low-probability event that they were caught by a County employee - to remain on-site and camp by paying $120 for an after-the-fact permit (vs. paying $100 for the permit had they followed the rules). This paltry $20 fine, combined with the small risk of actually being caught, provides a tremendous incentive for out-of-state tourists to simply camp on County property without a permit. It would be no more of a deterrent than $35 parking tickets were a deterrent to tourists' illegally parking on the side of the road near Ke'e.

2. Under Section 19-2.7(c) of the bill, if a violator commits the same violation on the second, third, fourth, etc. days: the same minimal $20 per day fine would apply for those days.

3. Additionally, the proposed ordinance grants a County employee who catches the violators the discretion to either issue the $120 permit or to expel the illegal camper. But why should non-expulsion even be an option, as that would simply incentivize illegal camping - at the low penalty of $20 - by out-of-state residents?

4. Finally, under Section 19-2.8 of the bill, even if the illegal out-of-state camper was expelled, the fine would "not exceed" $300. If the County wants to be taken seriously about prohibiting illegal camping by tourists: (i) the fine should be set at a substantially higher level, and (ii) the fine should be fixed at that level, rather than "not exceed" that level.

The County of Kauai's stance on deterring illegal camping by non-residents will be broadcast to the world by Bill 3011's penalties and expulsion policies. In this third decade of the 21st century there is little legitimacy to the idea that illegally-camping non-residents might be innocently-unaware that the County's policy against illegal camping should be taken seriously: social media, as well as the businesses and individuals who rent mobile TVRs, will make it broadly and almost-instantaneously known whether or not illegal camping is in fact a viable option for a cheap vacation on Kauai.

Some might argue that enforcement is also an issue. True enough. But before enforcement can even be considered, the laws that will need to be enforced - and crucially, the penalties for violating those laws - need to be put into place. With insufficient penalties, such as Bill 3011's $20 fines and non-mandatory expulsion, even the most-effective, well-funded enforcement campaign would be completely ineffective as a deterrence.

Bill 3011 is the County Council's opportunity to take the first serious step in addressing the illegal camping problem. As the current draft of the bill already proposes to amend the existing ordinance related to camping on County parks and properties, please use this bill as the vehicle to truly address illegal camping and to also take a first step towards addressing the growing problem of mobile TVRs (which constitute an widening gap in the County's ability to regulate tourist accommodations outside the non-Visitor Destination Areas).

There is no reason to defer this issue to the future, as a few very simple changes to Bill 3011, addressing the four items noted above, will enable this County Council to do its job of addressing the problem today.

Please make it clear that County of Kauai is serious about stopping non-permitted camping by tourists.

Carl F. Imparato

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