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Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
2:00 PM, Room 329

Russell Ruderman  
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RE: **SB2726 SD2** Relating to Condominiums - **Support**

Dr. Andrew Johnson  
Niko Niko Family  
Dentistry  
Honolulu

Dear Chair Nakashima, Vice Chair Sayama & Committee Members,

Robert H. Pahia  
Hawaii Taro Farm  
Wailuku

The Chamber of Sustainable Commerce represents over 100 small businesses across the State that strive for a triple bottom line: people, planet and prosperity; we know Hawaii can strengthen its economy without hurting workers, consumers, communities or the environment.

Maile Meyer  
Na Mea Hawaii  
Honolulu

We disappointedly support SB2726 SD, which requires the Legislative Reference Bureau to conduct a study on how certain other states approach the following subjects as they relate to condominiums: ombudsman programs, licensing for management, alternative dispute resolution, governmental regulation, owner education, and owner access to documents. This "study" is literally the least the legislature can do; it's as disingenuous as offering condo owners "thoughts and prayers" when they have been asking for better consumer protections for decades.

L. Malu Shizue Miki  
Abundant Life  
Natural Foods  
Hilo

The legislature has studied many of these issue in the past. Like all reforms, the most studied policies and practices are meaningless without sufficient funding for proper implementation. If the LRB is going to study this issue, you might as well ask them to look into ALL the questions listed in the testimony submitted by Kokua Council members, whom have already studied the problems created by Hawaii's inadequate condo laws and proposed solutions.

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