

July 2023 CCL Hawaii Newsletter

STATE UPDATES

July CCL Hawaii Statewide Meeting

Our monthly meeting is on Wednesday, July 26, 5:00 - 6:00 PM HST.

Everyone is welcome and we look forward to connecting and sharing. We will have a special guest speaker - **Hawaii County Council Chair - Heather Kimball**.

Council Chair Kimball will share the highlights about the creation of the Office of Sustainability, Climate, Equity, and Resilience (OSCER), focusing on the strategy for enabling community and political support for the bill.

Note: This meeting was held over Zoom. The link to the meeting recording is at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dnkB2hfywo>

2023 Hawaii State Legislative Session Recap

There were some wins for environmental legislation this year. [2023 Legislative Outcomes on Climate and Energy](#)

The Hawaii State House of Representatives also passed a resolution urging a national carbon fee and dividend. On March 29, 2023 by a vote of 49 to 1 the House passed Resolution [HR125](#) urging the U.S. Congress to pass “carbon fee and dividend” (carbon cashback) legislation. House Resolution 125 was transmitted to the President and Vice-President of the United States, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, Majority Leader of the United States Senate and members of Hawaii’s congressional delegation. Read about it on [CCL Hawaii](#).

You can also find the resolution on the [National CCL website](#).

Climate Fairs

Oahu, Hawaii Island and Kauai all had climate fairs this spring. Read about them on the CCLHawaii Blog - [2023 Climate Fairs](#)

NATIONAL UPDATES

CCL National Conference and Lobby Day 2023

Read about the CCL National Conference and Lobby Day on the [CCLHawaii.org blog](#).

From the Blog “The CCL National Conference had a great buzz to it with close to 1000 volunteers and a great excitement for folks to see each other in three dimensions. Below is a link to the many sessions and a song recorded at and for the lobbying event. In all, CCL had over 430 (!!!!) lobby meetings There were 63 young people under 18, at least twice that number of higher ed students, and so much more diversity in attendees - it was great...”

NATIONAL ACTIONS

Easy Action - You Just need 5 minutes

CCL National is asking us to email our senators asking them to cosponsor the [PROVE IT Act](#). To address climate change, all nations need to reduce their emissions. One way for countries with cleaner industries to incentivize dirtier industries in other countries to reduce their emissions is for the countries with the cleaner industries to tax the imports (i.e., a carbon border adjustment mechanism (CBAM)) from the countries with the dirtier industries based on the difference in emissions per unit of output between the clean and dirty industries. The first step to implementing such a policy is to measure the difference in emissions between the clean and dirty industries. To that end, the PROVE IT Act requires the Department of Energy to study the carbon emissions of certain goods produced in the U.S. compared to other nations.

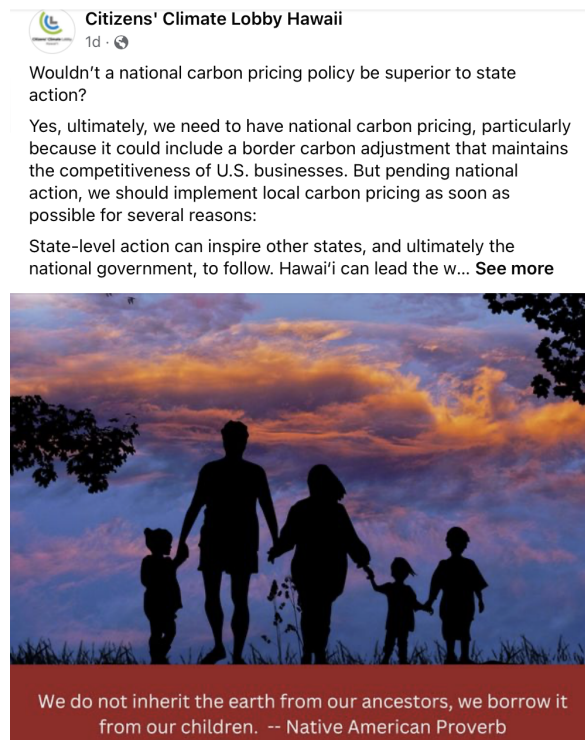
You can think of this bill as step one in getting a carbon border adjustment mechanism (CBAM) in the U.S. We need to show a huge wave of support now to bring CBAMs across the finish line later so they can drive down emissions around the globe.

Here's a [link](#) to the CCL page in which you can send emails to your senators. If you have time, please personalize your message.

MEDIA

Help Wanted

We are looking for volunteers to help with our social media presence. We regularly post on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn. Your contribution could be as easy as being on a list to like and resend posts, to writing posts to coordinating our Social Media effort for maximum impact. Please contact Virginia Tincher (vatincher@gmail.com) if you are interested. Here is picture of a recent post:



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