

# District 45 2018 Midsession Community Input Survey Results

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# Summary

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Constituents within the areas of Mililani, Mōkūlē'ia, Wheeler, Schofield, Kunia, and Waiālua received a short survey that gauged how community members felt about certain topics including banning devices that alter a firearm by allowing it to simulate automatic gunfire, increasing funding for public education by amending the Hawaii Constitution to establish a surcharge on visitor accommodations and residential investment properties, asked for views on transient accommodations and short-term vacation rentals, and allowing adults access to life-ending medications prescribed by a physician if they are medically confirmed with terminal disease and have less than six months to live. A total of 143 responses were received from the surveys mailed to households in House District 45.

In the following pages, there will be data that displays the range of important topics for four questions that were asked in the survey. Following the data chart, there will be a pie chart that shows the percentage.

**Note:** The complete survey questionnaire is included in this document for reference.

# Methodology

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Data was collected from survey responses that were returned via mail as well as an online version of the survey posted on RepMatsumoto.com. Online, an effort was made to collect survey responses from District 45 constituents only by asking survey respondents if they were District 45 constituents and asked them to select the zip code that applied.

Survey respondents who attempted to complete the survey online but were not constituents were directed to the Hawaii State Capitol website at <https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/> to use the search box in the upper right-hand corner to find their legislators.

The questions on the survey were followed by the corresponding bill. For example, SB2046 refers to Senate Bill 2046 that was introduced in the 2018 Legislative Session. HB2739 refers to House Bill 2739. More information can be found on the bills at the Hawaii State Capitol website linked above. The information on the bills were also listed on RepMatsumoto.com to help survey respondents better understand the legislation and question being asked.

The responses were imported into Microsoft® Excel and errors were checked against the individual forms. Data analysis was completed using Excel.

**Note:** The results reported can only be considered the opinions of the survey participants. They cannot be generalized to represent the entire client population as a whole.

## Demographics

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The Survey was only sent to constituents within District 45, the areas are as follows:

- Mililani
- Mokulē'ia
- Wheeler
- Schofield
- Kunia
- Waialua

**Note:** There is no way to know which town the constituent is from. Therefore, there is no chart showing the location of where the form was filled out from.

# The Survey

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## 2018 MIDSESSION COMMUNITY INPUT SURVEY

1. Do you support banning devices that alter a firearm by allowing it to simulate automatic gunfire?  
(SB20146)

- Yes
- No
- Unsure/Ambivalent

2. Do you support increasing funding for public education by amending the Hawaii Constitution to establish a surcharge on visitor accommodations and residential investment properties valued over \$1 million?  
(SB2922)

- Yes
- No
- Unsure/Ambivalent

3. Which of the options best represents your view on transient accommodations and short-term vacation rentals?

- Enforce current laws (no new legal permits for transient vacation units since 1989)
- Create a process to legitimize illegal vacation rentals and collect taxes
- Restrict out-of-state investors from using local housing stock for vacation rentals
- Allow transient accommodations brokers to register as tax collection agents to collect and remit taxes
- Other

4. Do you support allowing adults to access life-ending medications prescribed by a physician if they are medically confirmed with terminal disease and have less than six months to live? (HB2739)

- Yes
- No
- Unsure/Ambivalent

If yes, please select one reason:

- Cost of care
- Pain
- Burden to family
- Hospice and palliative care programs are insufficient
- Choice
- Other

# Survey Results

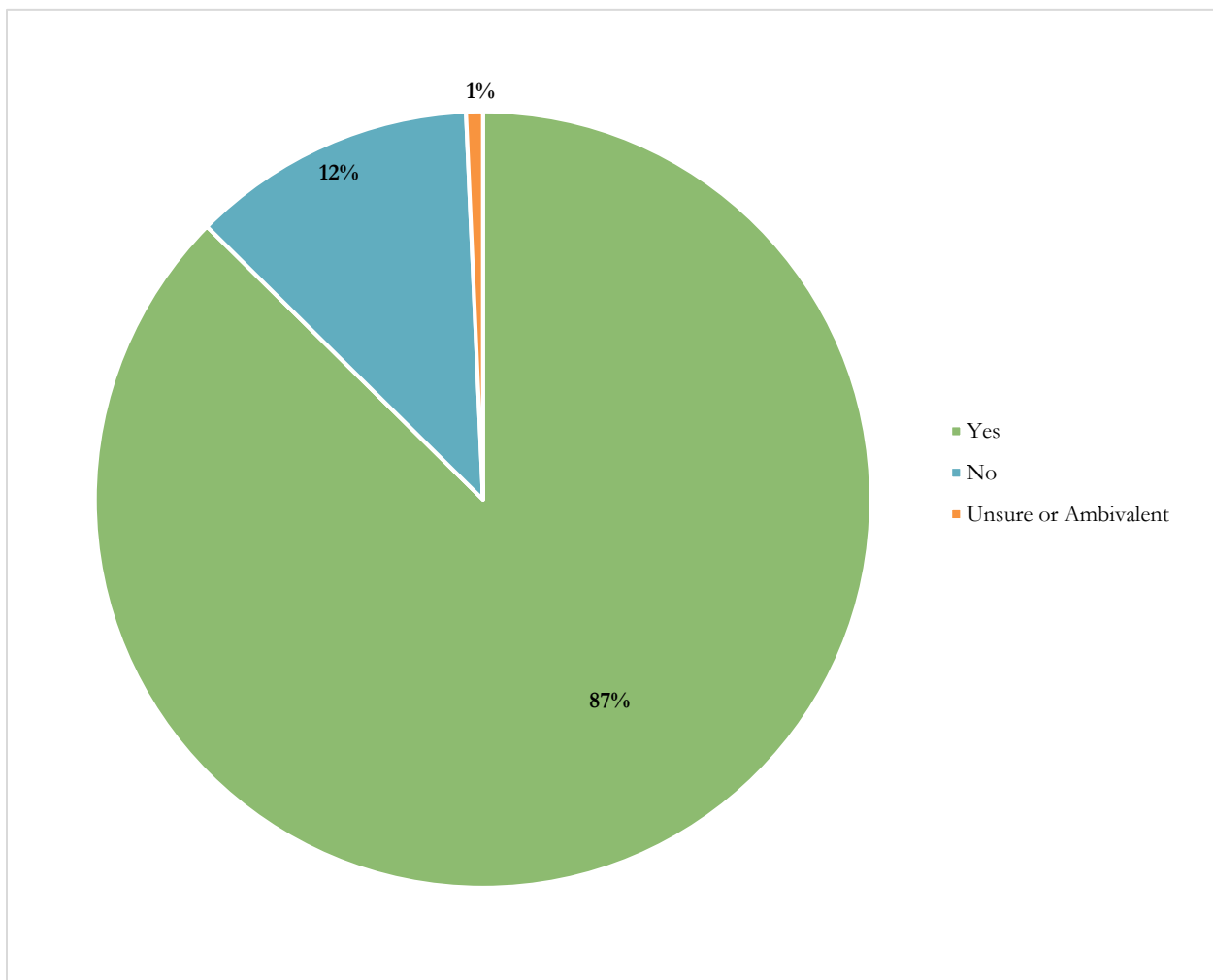
Questions and Graphs are in order numerically and are noted as such. The topics and graphs are the only data shown. In-depth data is inputted into the Excel Workbook.

**Question 1:** Do you support banning devices that alter a firearm by allowing it to simulate automatic gunfire? (SB20146)

## Question 1– Survey Responses Data Table

Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	125
No	17
Unsure or Ambivalent	1

## Question 1 – Survey Responses Pie Chart

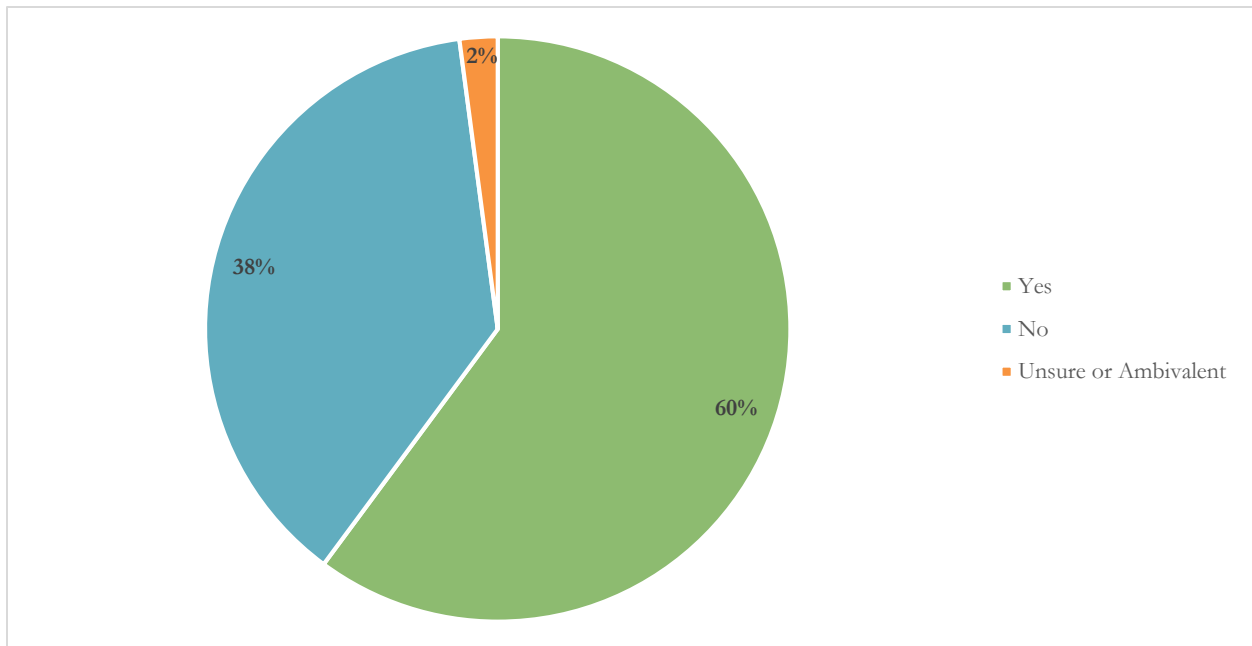


**Question 2:** Do you support funding for public education by amending the Hawaii Constitution to establish a surcharge on visitor accommodations and residential investment properties valued over \$1 million? (SB20146)

**Question 2 – Survey Responses Data Table**

Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	86
No	54
Unsure or Ambivalent	3

**Question 2 – Survey Responses Pie Chart**



**Question 3:** Which of the options best represents your view on transient accommodations and short-term vacation rentals?

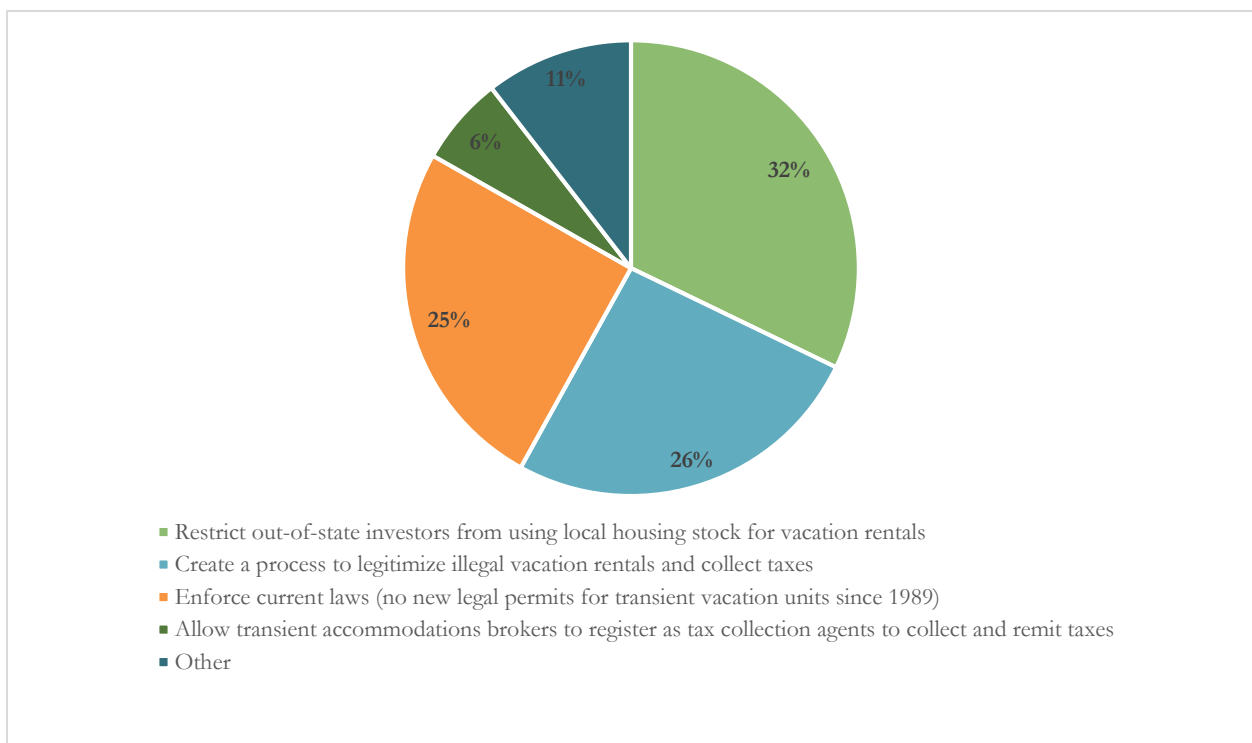
**Question 3 – Survey Responses Data Table**

Answer Choices	Responses
Restrict out-of-state investors from using local housing stock for vacation rentals	46
Create a process to legitimize illegal vacation rentals and collect taxes	37
Enforce current laws (no new legal permits for transient vacation units since 1989)	36
Allow transient accommodations brokers to register as tax collection agents to collect and remit taxes	9
Other	15

\*Fifteen respondents selected 'Other' as an answer choice for Question 3.

- Ten of those fifteen respondents cited several of the answer choices (enforce current laws, create a process to legitimize illegal vacation rentals and collect taxes, etc.) as reasons for selecting 'Other'.
- Two of those fifteen respondents left no comments.
- One of the fifteen respondents indicated that none of the answer choices seemed viable.
- One of the fifteen respondents indicated that residents should be allowed to rent their space without any tax or restrictions.
- One of the fifteen respondents indicated that vacation rental operators should be left alone as many locals depend on the income to pay their mortgages.

**Question 3 – Survey Responses Pie Chart**



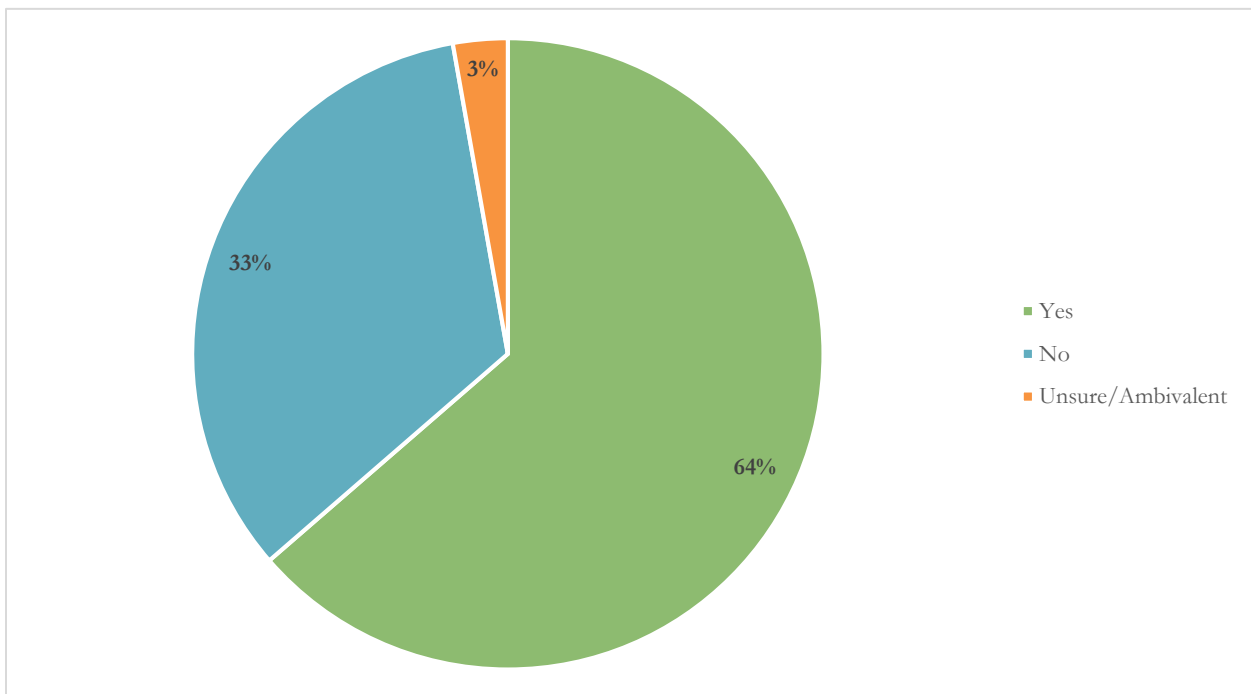


**Question 4:** Do you support allowing adults to access life-ending medications prescribed by a physician if they are medically confirmed with terminal disease and have less than six months to live? (HB2739)

**Question 4 – Survey Responses Data Table**

Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	91
No	48
Unsure/Ambivalent	4

**Question 4 – Survey Responses Pie Chart**



**Question 4b:** If yes was selected for the previous question, please select one reason (see table below).

**Question 4b – Survey Responses Data Table**

Answer Choices	Responses
Choice	50
Pain	20
Cost of Care	8
Burden to Family	7
Other	7
Hospice and Palliative Care Programs are Insufficient	2

\*Though seven respondents selected 'Other' as an answer choice for Question 4b, none elaborated as to why the respondent supported Question 4 on the survey.

**Question 4b – Survey Responses Pie Chart**

