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HB 2585

RELATING TO HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

House Committee on
Energy and Environmental Protection

Public Hearing - January 29, 1996
7:00 P.M., Room 312, State Capitol

By
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HB 2585 would create a three-year moratorium on approval of new air permits for Campbell Industrial Park.

Our statement on this measure is compiled from voluntarily submitted opinions of listed academic sources, and as such, does not constitute an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

This measure would appear to be a response to recent unintentional emissions from refineries at Barbers Point. It is our understanding that these releases resulted from equipment failures, and hence would not have been avoided through a permit restriction such as that proposed herein. Without some indication that emission limits under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) provisions of the federal Clean Air Act are in danger of being exceeded, we see no justification for a draconian constraint on issuance of new permits.