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HB 1449  
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO  
CONTROL MELASTOME PLANT PESTS

House Committee on  
Energy and Environmental Protection

Public Hearing - February 10, 1993  
8:00 A.M., Room 1310 SOT

By  
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Sheila Conant, General Science  
Charles Lamoureux, Lyon Arboretum  
Cliff Smith, Cooperative Parks Unit

HB 1449 would appropriate funds for the control of melastome plant pests.

Our statement on this bill does not constitute an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

Substantive testimony on this measure has been presented by Dr. Smith of the University's Cooperative Parks Unit. We fully endorse his statement, and we note in addition the broad support which these efforts have received from ranching and conservation communities. Demonstration of the state's commitment to continued research will be influential in the continued contribution of federal funding to the cooperative efforts to control this invasive species.