SB 1023
RELATING TO THE ANIMAL SPECIES ADVISORY COMMISSION

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SB 1023 would delete from Chapter 187 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes the present provision for the Animal Species Advisory Commission. This statement does not reflect an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

It should not be necessary to call to the attention of this committee the disastrous effects that have resulted from well-intentional past introductions to Hawaii of species of animals not found here. It is to screen proposed introductions of animal species and avoid such disastrous effects in the future that the Animal Species Advisory Commission was established. We consider most unwise the abolition of the Commission that would result from the passage of SB 1023.