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HB3086 RELATING TO CLEAN AIR

House Committees on
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HB 3086 would create a new chapter in the Hawaii Revised Statutes entitled , "AIR POLLUTION CONTROL", and it would repeal Chapter 342B, HRS.

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

The apparent intent of this measure is to bring the State air pollution regulatory mechanism into compliance with the 1990 amendments of the Federal Clean Air Act. Management efficiency thereby achieved is a worthwhile objective, and we concur with this intent.

We wish to bring attention to the monitoring and modeling provisions of the chapter (Page 24, lines 17-21 and Page 29, lines 1-6). Our experience in air pollution management underscores the pivotal role of monitoring and modeling, and we urge the director to take advantage of expertise resident in the university community in designing appropriate management strategies. Similarly, we suggest that Section 16 on Page 16 be revised to incorporate language comparable to that in Section 341-4, HRS, encouraging the director to take advantage of unique research capabilities and expertise resident in the university community which may be appropriate to the intent of this proposed statute.