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STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2805

Honorable Members
Twenty-First Legislature
State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 2805, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Soil and Water Conservation Districts."

The purpose of this bill is to remove the requirement that all contributions, moneys, and funds received by a soil and water conservation district be deposited into the general fund.

The soil and water conservation districts are state agencies created pursuant to chapter 180, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and, pursuant to section 103-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, all state agencies are required to deposit moneys they receive into the general fund unless the receipts are statutorily designated for deposit into a special fund. There is no special fund established for the districts and, therefore, the mere deletion of wording from section 180-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, will not accomplish the purpose of this bill.

For the foregoing reason, I am returning Senate Bill No. 2805 without my approval.

Respectfully,

BENJAMIN J. CAYETAN Governor of Hawaii