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March 8, 2010

The Honorable Hermina M. Morita, Chair  
The Honorable Denny Coffman, Vice Chair  
Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection  
Hawai'i State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

HEARING DATE: Tuesday, March 9, 2010  
HEARING TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
HEARING LOCATION: Conference Room 325

**Re: Support Senate Bill 2081**

Dear Representatives Morita, Coffman and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on Senate Bill (SB) 2081.

The County of Hawai'i Department of Environmental Management is pleased to testify in support of SB2081. Littering continues to be a plaque on this island and has historically remained an ongoing problem statewide. Our department believes that the proposed amendments bring the State law penalties into congruence with County of Hawai'i ordinances prohibiting littering.

Our Department would recommend, however, that in the interest of administrative efficiency, the fines be paid directly to the Director of Finance of the County whose enforcement efforts have resulted in the fines, for the uses stated. Receiving these funds into our County General Fund will assist us to more readily pursue violators and lessen this vast problem.

Best Regards and Aloha,

Lono Tyson  
DIRECTOR

cc: Mayor William Kenoi

Bill No. SB2081

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