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Agenda

February 12, 2009

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair
Committee on Energy and Environment
Hawaii State Senate, Rm 201
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Gabbard:

The Hawaii Restaurant Association stands in opposition to SB 244, SB 245 and SB 584 dealing with the ban on the use of plastic bags.

Even though the usage of plastic bags in our industry is minimal in primarily take out situations, our experiences have proven that the alternate of switching to paper many time costs a lot more to the consumer and in certain situations do not perform in the way that our customers want.

We have no problem being green but these measures at this time are not the correct thing for us.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to share our views.

Sincerely,

Victor Lim
Chairman