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February 2, 2011

The Honorable Henry Aquino, Chair
Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs
House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 419
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Aquino:

Subject: H.B. 966 Relating to Fire Protection

I am Kenneth G. Silva, Chair of the State Fire Council (SFC) and Fire Chief of the Honolulu Fire Department (HFD). The SFC and the HFD support H.B. 966, which proposes to revise Chapter 132-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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The SFC and the HFD urge your committee's support on the passage of H.B. 966.

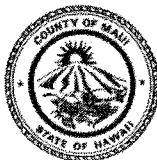
Should you have any questions, please call SFC Administrator Socrates Bratakos at 723-7151.

Sincerely,

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