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THE HONORABLE CLAYTON HEE, CHAIR
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RE: S.B. 978; RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE.

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor, the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu submits the following testimony in support of S.B. 978 that imposes a mandatory sentence of one year of imprisonment on a defendant convicted of cruelty to animals in the second degree involving five or more pet animals in any one instance.

We strongly support the passage of S.B. 978. Thank you.

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Submitted on: 1/28/2013

Testimony for JDL on Jan 30, 2013 09:30AM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mary James	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

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Lynn Muramaru	Individual	Oppose	No

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Animals have feelings too and we as humans tend to treat them like part of our family. Therefore, if someone hurts our family, we want justice for that family member to correct the wrongs that have been done. I am in support of SB978 because I want justice for animals who can't speak for themselves. On a personal note, if someone were to hurt my pets I would want them to serve their time this way rather than me having to take the law into my own hands because of lax laws. Please pass SB978 to get justice for abused animals that haven't done anything, but try to live their lives in peace and be loving creatures of God. Thank you! ^_^