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Testimony of
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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

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in support of
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 68
REQUESTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL TO SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON THE
REVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT RULES, TITLE 11, CHAPTER 200, HAWAII
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Riviere, and Members of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment,

Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 68 requests the Environmental Council to submit a report on the revision of the environmental impact statement (EIS) rules, Title 11, Chapter 200, Hawai'i Administrative Rules, outlining the process used to revise the rules, including the methodologies implemented to gather a wide range of public input, along with any recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019. **The Office of Environmental Quality Control supports this measure.**

The Environmental Council ("Council") promulgates administrative rules for the implementation of Chapter 343, HRS. The Council is currently undergoing rulemaking to update the EIS Rules. Since July 2017, the Council has released four working drafts of rules changes to gain stakeholder and public feedback. On March 6, 2018, the Council voted to request permission for public hearings pursuant to Chapter 91, HRS and Chapter 343, HRS. The OEQC is now pursuing the administrative steps to request the hearings. For more information on the Council's rules update, including process, timeline, and working drafts, please visit: <http://health.hawaii.gov/oeqc/rules-update/>.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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