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Comments:

Dear Honorable Committee Members:

Please support HR171. Hawaii's valuable coastlines are eroding and our coral reefs are dying due to climate change, which is already occurring. We need to be a leader in energy efficiency.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

Sincerely,

Andrea Quinn

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To: The House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection
From: Brodie Lockard, Hawaii State Climate Lead, Organizing for Action
Date: Tuesday, March 19, 2019, 9:30 am

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In support of HCR 190 / HR 171

Dear EEP Chair Lowen, Vice Chair Wildberger, and Committee Members—

Organizing for Action supports HCR 190 / HR 171.

Jalousie windows and air conditioning are both ubiquitous in Hawaii. Most jalousies are far from airtight, and very likely keep air conditioning far more than necessary.

The two forms of cooling are completely incompatible. Air conditioning is only effective in a closed space, but jalousies are so much a part of Hawaii architecture that they're probably present in many state buildings that later added air conditioning, where they're often inadvertently left open.

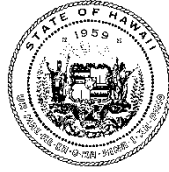
Conversely, jalousies are intended to cool via cross-breezes, and air currents from AC interfere with their function.

Their coexistence is likely to waste lots of energy and money, and certainly warrants investigation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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TESTIMONY
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TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

MARCH 19, 2019, 9:30 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 325, STATE CAPITOL

H.C.R. 190/H.R. 171
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO
INVESTIGATE THE COEXISTENCE OF JALOUSIE WINDOWS AND AIR
CONDITIONING IN STATE BUILDINGS AND CONSIDER MORE ENERGY EFFICIENT
ALTERNATIVES.

Chair Lowe, Vice Chair Wildberger, and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on H.C.R. 190/H.R. 171 which requests the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) to investigate the coexistence of jalousie windows and air conditioning in state buildings and consider more energy efficient alternatives.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent of H.C.R. 190/H.R. 171 to improve energy efficiency within state buildings and offers the following comments:

1. DAGS is willing to lead the effort among the state agencies.
2. DAGS is currently assigned about 2% (95/4,000) of the facilities Statewide and are involved with less than 4% (150/4,000 – Neighbor Island Schools not included) of all State facilities Statewide. Each state agency should be required to report to DAGS the existence/prevalence of jalousie windows and air conditioning in their facilities.

3. DAGS requests financial resources be added to this measure because of the increased number of task forces that DAGS may be involved which require additional staff time beyond daily workload requirements.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.