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Testimony of  
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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

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Providing Comments on  
**HB 194**

## **RELATING TO EFFICIENCY STANDARDS.**

Chair Lowen, Vice Chair Cochran and Members of the Committee, the Hawai'i State Energy Office (HSEO) respectfully submits comments on the adoption of HB 194 which allows the chief energy officer of HSEO to enforce minimum energy efficiency standards. HSEO's testimony is guided by its mission to promote energy efficiency, renewable energy, and clean transportation to help achieve a resilient, clean energy, decarbonized economy. Adoption of this bill would accelerate the attainment of Hawai'i's decarbonization goals by substantially reducing electricity use, consumers' electricity bills and the production of CO2. HSEO is not an enforcement agency empowered to enforce appliance efficiency standards. With the passage of this bill, Hawai'i will join forces with twelve other states with similar provisions. The Appliance Standards Awareness Project describes the power of efficiency standards to move Hawai'i closer to lower utility bills and to a decarbonized economy.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.