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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Provides COMMENTS on
SB 506, SD1

RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION.

Chair Lowen, Vice Chair Cochran, and Members of the Committee, the Hawai'i State Energy Office (HSEO) offers comments on SB 506, SD1, which requires self-service stations to put labels on gas dispensing equipment that advise consumers on the effects of fossil fuel consumption to human health and the environment.

HSEO appreciates increasing public awareness of the harmful effects of the burning of fossil fuels on human health and the environment with a desired outcome of decreased fossil fuel usage which supports the State's clean energy goals. HSEO would note, however, that standing up a new program that requires uniform standards and ensures widespread compliance would most effectively be administered by an independent third party with adequate resources and a nexus to retail gas dispensing, and health and environmental oversight, education and enforcement, or some combination thereof.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.