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SB 95
RELATING TO NOISE CONTROL

Senate Committee on Ecology and Environmental Protection

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SB 95 would amend Section 342F-20, HRS, to provide that the Department of Health would adopt noise control standards for any county that has not enacted a noise control ordinance by December 31, 1995.

Our statement on this measure does not constitute an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

Presently, only the City and County of Honolulu has established noise standards. We suggest that all counties should enact such an ordinance, and, we recommend that this present measure should be amended to allow county noise ordinances to be more stringent than the state standards. This might be accomplished by inserting the phrase,

"which establishes more stringent noise control standards ..."

after the word "department" on line 12.