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Legislative Testimony

Hō'ike Mana'o I Mua O Ka 'Aha'ōlelo

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HCR 28/HR 18 – ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP TO ADDRESS ISSUES
RELATED TO WATER AND AIR CONTAMINATION AND REMEDIATION ARISING
FROM THE OPERATION OF THE PUULOA RANGE TRAINING FACILITY

Chair Hashem, Vice Chair Chun, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the HCR 28/HR 18, which establishes a working group to address the issues related to water and air contamination and remediation arising from the operation of the Pu'uloa Range Training Facility.

The University of Hawai'i at Mānoa would welcome the opportunity to be a part of this working group. Addressing these important issues will require the collection and analysis of complex new data from sampling the soil as well as the marine life of the region. Interpreting the data will require subject-matter expertise found in the School of Life Sciences.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of the resolution.