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SUBJECT: SB3146, SD1 - Relating to Crimes

As a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), the Hawaiian Humane Society supports legislation that strengthens Hawaii's animal welfare laws and alleviates suffering. While we support the intent of SB3146, SD1, we ask that rather than redefine the term "pet animal" that equine animals simply be included in this legislation, similar to the wording in SB2895, SD1, relating to offenses against public order.

We offer the following amendment to lines 15: "Pet animal" means a dog, cat, domesticated rabbit," with the deletion of horse from this definition. Additionally, we ask that Line 4, which currently reads, "§711 Human consumption of a cat, dog, or horse." To a suggested amendment that reads, "§711 Human consumption of a cat, dog, or equine animal." And we further recommend that the term "horse" be replaced with "equine animals."

Respectfully submitted,

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