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TESTIMONY
OF
RUSS K. SAITO, COMPTROLLER
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE
ON
TRANSPORTATION
ON
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H.C.R. 304/H.R. 220

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF USING THE CLEANCEM PROCESS IN STATE PROCEDURES AND PROJECTS.

Chair Souki and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on H.C.R. 304, H.R. 220

DAGS opposes this HCR/HR because it is not something DAGS is in a position to do. The resolution proposes to use "ash" to produce clean cement, or CLEANCEM.

DAGS supports environmentally friendly materials and processes but suggests that the cement/building materials industry should first establish standards for the applicability of CLEANCEM in compliance with applicable codes for buildings and infrastructure. The PUC could also be requested to direct power companies to formulate a plan for the delivery and use of their ash in local cement materials and construction.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.