A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 486H, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3	and to read as follows:
4	"§486H- Cooperative purchasing authorized. (a) A
5	gasoline dealer who operates an independent retail station or

- stations may participate in, sponsor, conduct, or administer a 6 cooperative purchasing agreement for the purchase of gasoline 7 with one or more gasoline dealers pursuant to an agreement 8 entered into between the participants. Cooperative purchasing 9 agreements under this section shall be for the purpose of 10
- providing gasoline dealers purchasing power to acquire discounts 11 on purchases of gasoline and thereby lower costs for dealers and 12 consumers. The cooperative purchasing may include joint or 13 multi-party contracts between gasoline dealers. 14
- (b) Cooperative purchasing agreements under this section 15 are not in restraint of trade. No gasoline dealer, method, or act thereof that complies with this section, shall be deemed to **17** commit a conspiracy or combination in restraint of trade or an 18 HB1455 HD1 HMS 2011-2301

- 1 illegal monopoly, or an attempt to lessen competition or fix
- 2 prices arbitrarily, or the creation of a combination or pool, or
- 3 to accomplish any improper or illegal purpose. Any agreements
- 4 authorized under this section shall not be considered as
- 5 illegal, in restraint of trade, or as part of a conspiracy or
- 6 combination to accomplish an illegal purpose or act."
- 7 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 8 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Report Title:

Gasoline Dealers; Cooperative Purchasing

Description:

Allows gasoline dealers to enter into cooperative purchasing agreements to acquire discounts on gasoline purchases. (HB1455 HD1)

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