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January 25, 2013

The Honorable Karl Rhodes, Chair and Members Committee on Judiciary State House of Representatives Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Rhodes and Members:

Subject: House Bill No. 246, Relating to Intoxicating Liquor

I am Raymond Ancheta, Major of the Community Affairs Division, Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

The HPD opposes House Bill No. 246, Relating to Intoxicating Liquor, which reduces the classification of promoting intoxicating liquor to minors from a misdemeanor to a petty misdemeanor with mandatory penalties of imprisonment.

The HPD stands with the Honolulu Department of the Prosecuting Attorney in opposition to this bill that will take away discretion from the courts, further congest the court calendar, and possibly reduce the likelihood of these offenses going to trial.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in opposition to House Bill No. 246.

Sincerely.

RAYMOND ANCHETA, Major Community Affairs Division

APPROVED BY:

LOUIS M. KEALOHA Chief of Police

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