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February 8, 2021

TESTIMONY OF FELICIA COWDEN, COUNCILMEMBER, KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCIL ON HB 156, RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES House Committee on Agriculture Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:00 a.m. Via Videoconference

Conference Room 325

Dear Chair Hashem and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 156, Relating to Animal Control Services. My testimony is submitted in my individual capacity as a Member of the Kaua'i County Council.

I support HB 156, Relating to Animal Control Services, which is included in the 2021 County of Kaua'i Legislative Package. HB 156 proposes to repeal Section 143-16, Hawai'i Revised Statutes. Repealing Section 143-16 will allow the County of Kaua'i the freedom and flexibility to contract, like all other counties in Hawai'i, with other service providers pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes Section 143-15.

Thank you again for this opportunity to provide testimony. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Council Services Staff at (808) 241-4188 or via E-mail to cokcouncil@kauai.gov.

Sincerely,

Elicia (owden

FELICIA COWDEN Councilmember, Kaua'i County Council

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<u>HB-156</u>

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cathy Goeggel	Animal Rights Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

We strongly support.