STAND. COM. REP. NO. 318 -06

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.C.R. No. 84

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

## Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 84 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO REVIEW THE AVAILABLE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ON DECABROMODIPHENYL ETHER AND ASSESS THE AVAILABILITY OF SAFER, EFFECTIVE, AND TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE FLAME RETARDANTS THAT CAN BE USED IN ITS PLACE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to protect consumers from potential health hazards of decabromodiphenyl ether, a flame retardant used in products such as televisions, wiring, and upholstery, by requesting the Department of Health (DOH) to:

- (1) Review scientific research on the chemical; and
- (2) Determine whether safer retardants can be used in its place.

DOH and Bromine Science and Environmental Forum supported this concurrent resolution.

Your Committee finds that the review requested by this measure will help to determine whether there is a consumer protection issue that may be addressed by regulation.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 84 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce,

ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-third Legislature

## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce**

Bill/Resolution No.:	Date:			
HCR 84	3.29.06			
Committee Referral:	The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended	☐ Pass, with amendments			
□ Hold □ Recommit				
CPC Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. HERKES, Robert N. (C)				
2. SCHATZ, Brian (VC)	<b>✓</b> 1			
3. CALDWELL, Kirk	1			
4. ITO, Ken	<b>/</b>			
5. KANOHO, Ezra R.				
6. KARAMATSU, Jon Riki				/
7. MORITA, Hermina M.				
8. SONSON, Alex M.				
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.				
10. MARUMOTO, Barbara C.	<b>✓</b>			***************************************
11. STONEBRAKER, Bud				
TOTAL	7			/1
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The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)  Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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