STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1132 -06

Honolulu, Hawaii

Merch 24, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3262

S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 3262, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve the protection of the public's health and welfare by prohibiting smoking in public places and places of employment, ensuring a consistent level of basic protections statewide from exposure to secondhand smoke while allowing for county laws that have greater restrictive ability to take precedence.

The Department of Health; Department of Accounting and General Services; University of Hawaii; American Cancer Society; American Heart Association; Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawaii; American Lung Association of Hawaii; Castle Medical Center; Hawaii Medical Service Association; Kaiser Permanente; Hawaii Association of Health Plans; Hawaii Primary Care Association; Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies; Coalition of Hawaii; Kalihi-Palama Health Center; Hawaii Island Tobacco-Free Partnership, East Hawaii; Tobacco Free Hawaii Coalition; Mililani Town Anti-Drug Committee; American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, District VIII, Hawaii Section; Laborers International Union of North America; Local 368, AFL-CIO; numerous students from Kapaa High School; and numerous concerned individuals supported this bill. A concerned individual opposed this measure.

Your Committee finds that with the substantial amount of data showing the harmful effects of secondhand smoke, it is essential that the people who visit and are required to be in public places and places of employment be assured a strong level of safety from this toxin. Your Committee notes concerns regarding the definition of "enclosed or partially enclosed area" as used in this bill and feels this definition should be looked into further to add a greater level of clarity.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3262, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Health,

DENNIS A. ARAKAKI, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-third Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Health

Bill/Resolution No.:	262 SDI	Date: O	3/20/06		
Committee Referral: HLT, JUD		☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended		☐ Pass, with amendments			
☐ Hold		Pass, with amendments, for recommittal for further consideration			
HLT Members		Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. ARAKAKI, Dennis A.	(C)				
2. GREEN, Josh, M.D. (V		V			
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.					
4. HALE, Heléne H.5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y					
6. SONSON, Alex M.					
7. HALFORD, Chris		V			
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The recommendation is:	Adopted				
	☐ Not Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.					
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Vice Chair's or designee's sign					
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