STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2560**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 2 - 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2503 S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda President of the Senate Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2503, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FLAVORED TOBACCO PRODUCTS," begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to prohibit the sale and distribution of flavored cigarette products.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the Attorney General, the Department of Health, the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the American Lung Association, and the Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that there is concern about smoking by Hawaii's children. Flavored cigarettes are particularly attractive to children because the flavor names are similar to flavor names for products such as drinks, candies, and other products marketed to children. The use of similar flavor names may entice children to try cigarettes that have flavors with which they are familiar. Flavored cigarettes encourage children to begin using tobacco products, starting them down the path to tobacco use at an early age and setting the stage for serious health problems.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and

purpose of S.B. No. 2503, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs,

COLLEEN HANABUSA, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Third Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs (Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:* SB 2503 SD1	Committee Referral: HTH/HMS, JHW		Date:	Date: 2/24/06	
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is to:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit (2312) (2311) (2310) (2313)					
Members		Ауу	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
HANABUSA, Colleen (C)					
HEE, Clayton (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne			/		
ENGLISH, J. Kalani			- 1	W /	
IHARA, Jr., Les	:				
WHALEN, Paul			עשי	· /	
	- ";				
	-:		1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	•	# * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
		<u> </u>			
		/ /			1
TOTAL		4	0		
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
Distribution: Original Yelow Pink Goldenrod File with Committee Report Clerk Office Drafting Agency Committee File Copy					

*Do <u>not</u> list more than one measure per Record of Votes.