

SB 1050



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before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
and

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

Thursday, February 12, 2009

2:45 PM

State Capitol, Conference Room 229

in consideration of

SB 1050

RELATING TO SMOKING.

Chairs Ige and Nishihara, Vice Chairs Green and Galuteria, and members of the Committees.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) does not take a position on this measure. However, DBEDT would like to request an amendment to this measure to add an exemption for filming activity on Waikiki Beach. The exemption would specifically be for talent smoking in a scene being filmed on Waikiki Beach. The exemption requested is similar to the current exemption for filming activity in §328J-7 which provides an exemption for smoking in facilities owned by the State or County, in enclosed or partially enclosed places open to the public, in enclosed or partially enclosed places of employment, and in sports arenas, outdoor arenas, stadiums, and amphitheatres when the talent smoking is part of a scene being filmed by a production. DBEDT worked in conjunction with the Department of Health (DoH) to establish the administrative rules for §328J-7. DBEDT would again work with the DoH and any other affected agency to establish administrative rules for this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.



To: Senator David Y. Ige, Chair, Senate Health Committee
Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair, Senate Health Committee
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair, Senate Tourism Committee
Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair, Senate Tourism Committee
Members, Senate Joint Committee on Health and Tourism
From: Trisha Y. Nakamura, Policy and Advocacy Director 
Date: February 11, 2009
Hrg: Senate Joint Committee on Health and Tourism, February 12, 2009 at 2:45 p.m.
Re: **Support for SB 1050, Relating to Smoking**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of SB 1050 which prohibits smoking on Waikiki Beach in the shoreline area. We urge you to pass this measure out of committee.

The Coalition worked hard in 2006 to pass the Smoke-Free Law; 85% of Hawai'i residents favor the Smoke-Free Law. Tobacco-Free Big Island, one of our local coalition partners, led the movement on the Big Island to create Smoke-Free Parks and Beaches which led to the passage of Hawai'i County Ordinance 08-56 in 2008. These laws have helped to change social norms. Our young people are growing up in a Hawai'i that promotes health by ensuring children and families are protected from second-hand smoke.

The bill at hand is an opportunity to create outdoor areas for our children and families free of dangerous second-hand smoke, as well as to protect our beautiful environment. Residents and visitors will be able to spend time on Waikiki beaches without smoke interfering with their enjoyment of the water and shoreline. The law will allow many individuals who suffer from lung disease the ability, perhaps for the first time in a long time, to enjoy Waikiki's shoreline and beaches without fear or worry about asthma or an emphysema attack because of someone smoking nearby. Hawaii's beaches and ocean will be protected from cigarette-butt litter and tobacco trash.

Social research indicates that children perceive what is acceptable and what they ought to do from what they understand is a normative behavior in a community. Creating a smoke-free beach will eventually lead to a norm expectation of smoke-free beaches by children and others who use these facilities. We look forward to passage of this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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Subject: Oppose SB 1050

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Testimony

Senate Committee on Health / Committee on Tourism

Feb. 12, 2009

2:45 PM in Conference Room 229

RE: SB 1050 Smoking ban at Waikiki Beach

POSITION: **OPPOSE**

Dear Honorable Chairs and Senate Committee Members:

I have lived in Hawaii my entire life. I was always taught to offer hospitality to family and visitors alike. This proposed smoking ban will disenfranchise the very people who come from all over the world to relax and enjoy our island paradise. Many of our visitors are smokers not to mention the 200,000 plus smoker residents of the state. Tax paying citizens of the state will be further segregated under the above proposed new bill. There have been too many studies recently debunking the Second Hand Smoke threat. One right here from home that many of you are unaware of because the Department of Health has chosen not to share it with you. Why? Maybe they were ashamed of their inability to prove that SHS had any effect whatsoever on their cherry picked venues and minions who secretly carried out the deed of monitoring the unsuspecting businesses. Here is a quote from The Hawaii Air Quality Monitoring Assessment: Some Effects of Hawaii's Smoke Free Work and Public Places Law

"There was no evidence that partially enclosed restaurants/bars had any dangerous level of particulate matter either before or after the law; all had PM levels at 30 or much lower, below the EPA average daily limit"

Further *no realistic outdoor studies have ever been done*. Across the nation even indoor smoking bans are being amended to include exemptions for adult entertainment and leisure or outright thrown out altogether. The fact that this has even been put on the table is an embarrassment and shows a lack of due diligence. This is nothing less than a complete failure to research independently, while instead relying on special interest lobbying groups who are paid to sell you their rhetoric.

I encourage you to oppose the above bills for the following reasons:

1 - The above bill is not justified by scientific evidence. They are exclusionary and based on ignorance and bigotry that has been propagated against smokers by The American Cancer Society and The Coalition for Tobacco Free Hawaii. There is no evidence to support excluding 20% of the tax paying citizens and all smoker tourists from using Waikiki Beach to their personal level and interpretation of highest and best use.

2 - The above bill is selective targeting (no different in practical application than racial profiling) and an insinuation that every smoker is a litter bug and that they are the only offenders of the current litter laws that obviously are not being enforced. Selective targeting, selective prosecution nothing more.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this opinion

Sincerely,

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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2009

Thursday, February 12, 2009
2:45 p.m.

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 1050 – RELATING TO SMOKING

TO THE HONERABLE DAVID Y. IGE, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMITTEE:

My name is Jennifer Fuchikami, and I am a homeschooled student currently in my Senior year. I would like to express my support of Senate Bill 1050, which will reduce the exposure of secondhand cigarette smoke for kama'aina and tourists who visit Waikiki beach.

Study after study done by various organizations, from “A,” the American Lung Association to “almost Z,” the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have shown the harmful effects of secondhand smoke to smokers and those around them.

In 1993, the City and County banned smoking on the beach at Hanauma Bay. This helped reduce some of the litter and protect the ecosystem there. Today, it is still a busy, thriving tourist spot.

With the current state of our economy, it is even more important for us to make sure our natural treasures, like the ocean and our beaches, are clean and welcoming to visitors. I believe that passing this bill would be a positive step towards this goal.

Thank you to the Committee for taking the time to read this testimony.

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 1050 – RELATING TO SMOKING

TO THE HONERABLE DAVID Y. IGE, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMITTEE:

My name is Kristi Fuchikami and I am a 16-year-old homeschool student in my Junior year. I support Bill number 1050 because I believe that banning smoking on Waikiki beach is another positive step to a healthier Hawaii.

When I visit the beach, I go to enjoy God's creation, the water, the sun, and the sand. I do not go to the beach to inhale smoke and step on cigarettes that people carelessly drop on the beach. I believe this bill will not only prevent secondhand smoking, but also reduce littering. Perhaps there could even be a fine if someone is caught smoking on Waikiki beach?

Smoking and secondhand smoking is dangerous in general, but especially dangerous for people who have asthma, including my dad and one of my brothers.

I would like to take this moment to mention Hanauma Bay, which has banned smoking for over 10 years. People had said that we would lose tourist if we banned smoking, which we did not. Waikiki beach could be just like that, a safe, smoke-free beach for families to enjoy.

I thank the committee for hearing my position on this issue and ask that you pass this bill.

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH & TOURISM
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2009
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2009

2:45 p.m.

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NUMBER 1050, RELATING TO SMOKING

TO THE HONORABLE DAVID IGE, CLARENCE NISHIHARA, CHAIRS, AND
MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEES

My name is Ryan McDonald and I am a 14-year-old home-educated student, and resident of Honolulu. I strongly support this bill, and believe that SB 1050 would clean the air and make one of Hawaii's most recognized beaches noticeably cleaner. This is necessary to Hawaii's tourism industry, and the health of our kama'aina.

As one of Hawaii's well-known tourist destinations, it is important to keep Waikiki Beach clean and inviting. Yet, cigarette butts lying on the beach is not what many would consider "inviting". There are always people who drop their used cigarettes on the beach and walk away. This bill would help prevent the unnecessary littering of the beach. To which beach would you rather go - a dirty, littered beach or a pristine, sandy paradise? That is the difference you make by passing this bill and the impact on Hawaii's tourism industry would be significantly improved by the change that this bill provides.

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Aside from the issue of keeping the beaches clean, there are also the effects of reducing second-hand smoke in public places. The American Cancer Society reports that second hand smoke in public places has caused increased severity of asthma attacks in close to 1 million children and 3 million deaths from lung cancer in non-smoking adults. We cannot allow these detrimental effects to continue adversely influencing our kama'aina in public places. That is why I strongly urge you all to vote "yes" for the passage of this bill.

In conclusion, I urge you all to vote in favor of SB 1050, for the cleanliness of a major tourist destination in our islands, and the safety and health of our kama'aina. I thank the committees for taking time to consider my testimony, and I would ask that SB 1050 be passed.

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH AND TOURISM

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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 1050 – RELATING TO SMOKING

TO THE HONORABLE DAVID IGE AND CLARENCE NISHIHARA, CHAIRS, AND
MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEES:

My name is Jordan Kakugawa. I am a homeschool student in the 8th grade. I support this bill which bans smoking on Waikiki Beach.

When I go to the beach on a nice day to enjoy the sunshine and fresh air, I take a deep breath. But suddenly, I gag for air. My lungs fill with second-hand smoke. Just the thought of it makes me want to avoid the beach. Is it within my rights to enjoy the beach without the possibility of damaging my lungs by someone else's cigarette smoke?

If laws can be passed regarding smoking in public places, such as, *Act 295 which prohibits smoking in enclosed and partially enclosed areas, within 20 feet of doorways and requires signage upon entry to buildings*, then this bill can be passed to protect our rights as non-smokers in other public places, specifically the beaches in Waikiki.

If we don't pass this bill then non-smokers like me will feel our right to breathe fresh air on the beach is being violated.

I thank this Committee for taking the time to read this testimony and I respectfully ask that Senate Bill No. 1050 be adopted.

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH AND TOURISM
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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 1050 - RELATING TO SMOKING

TO THE HONORABLE DAVID IGE AND CLARENCE NISHIHARA, CHAIRS, AND
MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEES

My name is Bree'Ana Vellalos and I am a home-schooled senior in high school. I strongly support this bill that would ban smoking on Waikiki Beach. Passing this bill would allow Waikiki Beach to be a place where tourists and residents alike won't have to worry about health hazards caused from secondhand smoke.

Studies show that cancer is the number one cause of premature death, and according to the U. S. Department of Health "was among the first diseases casually linked to smoking." While not everyone who visits Waikiki Beach smokes, there are harmful effects that are caused by secondhand smoke. There are many risks such as damage to the lining of blood vessels, reduced heart rate variability, and possible heart attacks that have been linked to secondhand smoke. In addition, secondhand smoke has caused numerous deaths in both children and adults.

Hawaii is one of twenty-three states that have outlawed smoking in most public places indoors. While this is a step, I believe we can go further. Outlawing smoking in outdoor public places would greatly reduce cancer and other illnesses related to smoking. What is a better place to start than Hawaii's world-renowned beaches?

I thank the committees for taking the time to consider my testimony. Let's start making Hawaii a safer place for tourists and locals, one beach at a time, by passing this bill today.

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH AND TOURISM
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 1050 – RELATING TO SMOKING

TO THE HONORABLE CHAIRMEN DAVID IGE AND CLARENCE NISHIHARA
AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

My name is Drake Boyer and I am a homeschooled student in my freshman year. I support Senate Bill No. 1050 which would ban smoking on Waikiki Beach.

Banning smoking on Waikiki Beach, a world famous tourist attraction, would increase the beauty of the beach, allow kama'aina and tourist alike to enjoy a cleaner beach and would cut down on pollution and preserve marine life.

Having been born and raised in Hawaii, I have been to Waikiki Beach many times. On most occasions it seems that I cannot walk two feet without stepping on a cigarette butt. Although half of my family lives here in Hawaii, the other half, many whom do not smoke, lives on the mainland. When they come to visit Hawaii, they see how polluted the beaches are with cigarette butts.

I do not think it is a bad trade off that Waikiki Beach would become a cleaner environment for people and animals alike at the expense of smokers walking ten yards to take a smoke. Is it really that terrible if we lose five tourists because they cannot smoke on a beach? I think creating an environment where we can enjoy the beauty of Hawaii is more important. Do we really want our most famous beach to become an ashtray? Who knows, maybe a smoking ban could actually attract more tourist to our unique state.

I thank these committees for the opportunity to present testimony on this matter and ask that this bill be passed.

From: Carol Philips [carolphilips1@gmail.com]
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Subject: Committees on Health & Tourism 02-12-09 2:45pm in conference room 229. Bill# SB1050
Relating to Smoking

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To:

Senator David Y. Ige
Chair – Senate Health Committee

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara
Chair – Senate Tourism Committee

From: Carol Philips – North Shore Surf Girls
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Re: Committees on Health & Tourism 02-12-09 2:45pm in conference room 229.

Bill# SB1050 Relating to Smoking - Testimony in Strong Support

Aloha Honorable Committee Chairs Senators Ige and Nishihara and Committee Members,

I'm a life long resident of Hawaii, former professional bodyboarders, and licensed surf instructor. I'm writing in strong support of SB1050 because I have personally picked up hundreds of cigarette butts off of Hawaii's beaches. I think the shore line sand should be a place where parents can let there little ones play without worry about them picking up a cigarette butt and putting it in their mouths. As part of my cross training activities I often run on the sand at Waimea Bay on the North Shore of Oahu and see cigarette butts all along the shore line every time and find it disgusting. Sadly, many smokers view the sand as a giant ashtray. By banning smoking at Waikiki Beach you will be sending a message to the world that Hawaii values it's pristine beaches and that in fact our beaches are pristine. In addition, you will be making Waikiki Beach a safer place for young children to play. Please vote to pass this bill out of committee.

Respectfully,

Carol Philips, President
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STATEMENT ON SB 1050
to the House Committee on Health
Relating to Banning Smoking at Waikiki Beach

by
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February 12, 2009

I am totally opposed to SB 1050

I cannot believe that the Senate is serious in proposing this bill. The bill presents no justification nor reason for its passage. It is not proper nor logical to propose a bill without any justification. Therefore, the only conclusion I can reach is that this is a hate bill aimed against smokers.

I am very disappointed that the Senate would stoop to this level. Isn't Hawaii supposed to be the land of Aloha where we all love one another? Hawaii has sure changed since I came here 40 years ago.

At least the other bills banning smoking claim their purpose is to protect the health of others from secondhand smoke, although these bills are based on faulty evidence. But that argument is not even present in this bill.

In my 40 years of living in Hawaii I have never seen a more hideous bill introduced. It strikes at the very basis of our precious freedom. I am reminded of Nazi Germany.

How would this bill be enforced? I can't believe the police would enforce it. Would you not prefer to see the police attend to serious crime? All you have to do is read the newspapers to see the crime that is now running rampant in the streets.

What effect would this bill have on tourism? The smoking bans on restaurants and bars have already reduced the number of tourists, especially from Japan. Why are you so antibusiness? If you are not a smoker, you don't understand how smokers think. I am a smoker, and I no longer got to restaurants or bars in Honolulu because I will not spend money to be uncomfortable. I used to return to Chicago every year to attend a high school reunion. I no longer do that because Chicago has banned smoking in restaurants and bars, and again I will not spend money to be uncomfortable. It would cost about \$3,000 for my wife and me to make that trip.

I will be writing to the Japanese newspapers informing them that Japanese smokers are not welcome in Hawaii. Realize that it is not just the smokers who will not come but also those who would come with the smokers such as spouses.

If this bill passes, you will shame Hawaii! Truly, I believe the fact that this bill is even being introduced shames Hawaii!

Since this is Abraham Lincoln's birthday, I think a quote from Lincoln dealing with this bill would be appropriate: "Prohibition... goes beyond the bounds of reason in that it attempts to control a man's appetite by legislation and makes a crime out of things that are not crimes... A prohibition law strikes a blow at the very principles upon which our government was founded..." Abraham Lincoln (December 1840). I ask that you take Lincoln's teachings to heart.

THERE ARE 200,000 SMOKERS IN HAWAII THAT VOTE!

Better a free Hawaii than a smoke free Hawaii.

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SB1050
Committee On Health and
Committee On Tourism
Public Hearing 2-12-09
Opposition to bill SB1050

Tim Lemke
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Dear Senators,

I am a non-smoker and I oppose Senate Bill 1050. This bill would be harmful to our tourism industry. It would also be very disrespectful to our friends, visitors, and neighbors that smoke when they get made to feel unwelcome in Waikiki. This bill is not the spirit of Aloha and tolerance. While I support bans inside of family restaurants and hospitals, people that smoke have the right to Aloha outside and in adult environments.

Mahalo,
Tim Lemke

TO: The Senate Health Committee (Chair and Sen. David Ige, Vice Chair Sen. Josh Green, MD, Sen. Roslyn Baker, Sen. Will Espero, Sen. Clarence Nishihara and Sen. Fred Hemmings)

FROM: Ramon A. Sumibcay, RN, BSN and Teresita Oculito

SUBJ: Senate Bill 280

We are writing your Committee to show our strongest support for the bill for the following reasons:

1. The Bill is just simply asking for the removal of the CGFNS certification requirement. Outsourcing this process is more expensive for the applicants, and it takes a longer process. It is all about taking care of our own constituents' needs.
2. The Bill does not and will not lower nursing practice standards. Local nursing institutions/employers have policies and procedures that enforce and safeguard nursing practice standards.
3. The Bill does not and will not compromise safe patient care. Any Registered Nurse will attest that he/she will practice his/her noble profession always putting "Safe Patient Care" first.
4. Thank you for considering this testimony for the passing of the above bill.

Sincerely,

Teresita Oculito Ramon Sumibcay

From: Lisa Oshiro [lisayoshiro@gmail.com]
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For the hearing of Senate Bill 1050 on Thursday in the Tourism and Health Committee.

I'm opposed to this bill. It just shows how mean and out of touch people really are at the legislature. What is wrong with you guys, enough is enough. I live in Waikiki on Hobron street and I enjoy going down to the beach to relax. Fine people for littering not because they enjoy different pleasures.

Not Happy :(Lisa Y. Oshiro

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Testimony
Senate Committee on Health / Committee on Tourism
Feb. 12, 2009
2:45 pm in Conference Room 229

SB1050 POSITION : STRONGLY OPPOSED

Bigotry POSITION : STRONGLY OPPOSED

Further damage to our tourism industry POSITION : STRONGLY OPPOSED

This harmful bill needs to be deferred. Tourism is already at new and painful lows and now some people want to pull this sad gamble with an already depressed industry that so many in Hawaii depend on. This kind of measure is nothing more than a bigoted agenda item from astroturf groups like Tobacco Free Hawaii to falsely represent the will of the community.

This comment in the Honolulu Advertiser says it all;

*"Robert J. Finley, chairman of the Waikiki Neighborhood Board, said the issue of cigarette butts in the sand at Waikiki Beach **has never come up at meetings.**"*

I guess that the paid lobbyists that show up now from the various anti-smoking groups answer to how much pay is getting stuffed into their pockets and not about what the community actually is concerned about. They certainly didn't care about the collateral damage to the bar industry, except to cover up the sales losses. And all those bar owners that sued the State for economic loss just didn't know what they were talking about in the anti-smoking lobbys minds. Or the 12% decline in Japanese tourism right after the 2006 ban.

Let's face it my friends, bigotry and exculsion is NOT good for business.

Respectfully, Michael Zehner
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To whom it my concern, please submit this testimony for SB 1050
Thursday, February 12, 2009. 2:45 pm, Conference Room 229

RE: OPPOSE Senate Bill 1050

Dear Chair and Committee members.

SB 1050 has nothing whatsoever to do with public health. There is not a shred of evidence to suggest that second hand smoke on public beaches and parks harms anyone.

SB 1050 is not about littering. The State already has laws against littering of all kinds. The casual observer can tell you that people litter less when there are trash cans to use. If littering were your concern, then this would be a bill to require more trash cans in beaches and parks.

So if SB 1050 is not about public health or littering, then what could it be about?
There is one and only one answer to this question. SB 1050 is a hate law and those who support it are publicly announcing their own bigotry and desire to discriminate through segregation.

I hope this Committee shows the integrity of publicly denouncing all forms of bigotry whether or not you personally like or dislike people who smoke.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this opinion.

Sincerely,

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Subject: waikiki beach smoking ban

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i am in full support of this ban. may i briefly explain. it is ludicrous that lawmakers are even thinking about such an insane law. our economy is tanking...our tourism is already in the tank...and lawmakers are wasting tax payer monies discussing a smoking ban on waikiki beach...talk about shooting ones self in the foot over and over again. in separating from my co-chair position with the hawaii smokers alliance as per their position on this issue, i am in full support of this ban. when the populace gets fed up with their lawmakers wasting precious time considering such stupid ass laws, there will come to be a breaking point of frustration and anger...they will rise up and boot out every lawmaker responsible at the next elections...by my support of this, i hope to facilitate this event at the polls come 2010. kawika crowley

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