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FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2009
9:00 A.M.

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 51 S.D.1 – RELATING TO DENTISTRY

TO THE HONORABLE RYAN I. YAMANE, CHAIR,
AND TO THE HONORABLE SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, VICE-CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department") appreciates the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 51 S.D.1, Relating to Dentistry. My name is Jo Ann Uchida, Complaints and Enforcement Officer for the Department's Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO"). The Department offers the following comments.

Senate Bill No. 51 S.D.1 expands the definition of dentistry to include "tooth whitening services." This Committee heard the companion measure, House Bill No. 1209, and passed out a House Draft 1. The bill was not heard by the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce and, therefore, did not cross

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over. Senate Bill No. 51 S.D.1 is very similar, but not identical, to House Bill No. 1209 H.D.1. In comparing this draft to House Bill No. 1209, H.D.1, the Department prefers this version.

In 2007-2008, RICO received four complaints from dentists involving teeth whitening services. Without discussing the details of any particular case, the complaints allege that the tooth whitening businesses are engaged in the practice of dentistry. Our investigation has shown that it is important, for purposes of determining unlicensed activity, to clearly differentiate conduct that is dentistry from conduct that is incident to the marketing and sale of tooth whitening products. Legislation that clarifies this distinction will facilitate effective enforcement.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 51 S.D.1. I will be happy to answer any questions that the members of the Committee may have.

Hawaii State Legislature
State House of Representatives
Committee on Health

Representative Ryan I Yamane, Chair
Representative Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair
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Friday, March 20, 2009, 9:00 a.m. Room 329
Senate Bill 51, SD1 Relating to Dentistry

Honorable Chair Ryan I. Yamane, Vice Chair Scott Y. Nishimoto and
members of the House Committee on Health,

My name is Dr. Craig Mason and I am the President-Elect of the Hawaii Dental Association and I appreciate the opportunity to testify in support of SB 51, SD1 Relating to Dentistry. This bill addresses problems which have arisen in Hawaii and around the country with the advent of teeth whitening kiosks.

There have been numerous problems here in Hawaii and around the country where the public has been harmed by tooth whitening procedures performed in unregulated settings. The primary ingredient used in tooth whitening is hydrogen peroxide. The concentration used in tooth whitening kiosks is higher than that used in the over the counter tooth whitening products sold in any drugstore. Misuse and negligence on the part of kiosk operators has resulted in the public receiving burned gums, choking, and hydrogen peroxide being swallowed. Our local dentists are treating patients who have come in to their offices seeking relief from the damage done by these kiosks operators.

Many state dental boards have successfully taken kiosks operators to court determining that these teeth whitening activities are in fact the practice of dentistry. Other state dental boards have issued opinions that the activities of the teeth whitening kiosk operators constitute the practice of dentistry and require a licensed dental professional to conduct such activity.

The operators of these kiosks hire people who have no medical or dental training, including children, to perform the whitening procedures. They claim that since they do not insert the dental trays holding the chemicals they are not practicing dentistry. However, even the fact that the operators determines the size of the dental device to be used is a decision that requires professional judgment and training. The use of an oversized dental tray resulted in a woman swallowing the hydrogen peroxide at a kiosk at the Sam's Club on Keenamoku Street. Only when the woman was choking did the employees of the kiosk take any action.

In a dental office, extreme care is taken with all devices and instruments to prevent the transfer of diseases. No such requirements or standards are applied in these kiosks, allowing for the transmission of diseases from one patient to another.

Finally, since the employees of the kiosk operators have no training in HIOSH standards

to prevent disease transmission, there is a concern that their employees could be exposed to medical waste including the used trays. The employees could unwittingly take a serious medical infection home with them to their own families, and easily pass it on to the next customer at the kiosk.

Therefore, the HDA and its 950 plus members urge your favorable consideration of this bill in order to protect the public from the real and potential harm that these teeth whitening kiosk operations have and will cause to the public.

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March 19, 2009

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Thank you for your consideration of this measure.

Mahalo for your support.

With aloha,

William Hu

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With aloha,

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With aloha,

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Subject: Please Help Your Hawaii Dental Association's Legislative Program

Randall Yee
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March 19, 2009

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Randall Yee
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Friday, March 20, 2009; 9:00am, Conference Room 329

SB 51, SD1 RELATING TO DENTISTRY. Redefines the practice of
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In the State of Hawaii as of late and, indeed nationally, "bleaching kiosks" have been
opening and closing apparently at will. None of these have a licensed dentist present and
the level of training of the personnel at these booths is in question. The lightening agent
is usually a type of carbamyl or other peroxide in a plastic tray delivery system. This may
be used in conjunction with a light source which allegedly enhances the process.

Many of these operations have been observed by our dentist members who have noted that the
operators often assist the customer in placing the tray in the mouth. This sort of action is
defined in Hawaii Statutes as the Practice of Dentistry.

Due to the caustic nature of these solutions, whether commercial or legend (intended for the
use of trained personnel), there is a risk of soft tissue damage to the gums and tongue and
areas of the face, and tooth sensitivity due to the bleaching process or undiagnosed decay.
These have been the findings of more than a few dentists who observed these adverse outcomes
after a patient of theirs visited one of these kiosks.

There is an overall concern on the matter cleanliness and guarding against cross-
contamination between customers using these booths. It would indeed be difficult to maintain
asepsis in a stall at a bridal fair or worse, in the middle of the Stadium Swap Meet as has
been witnessed by an impeccable source. And, of course, if the bleaching solution is
swallowed or contacts any eye tissue it depends on the operator to react in an immediate and
appropriate manner to this type of emergency situation.

This definition would not affect the purchase of over the counter products such as Crest
white strips which are intended for the sole use and application by the consumer.

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Darrell Teruya, DDS
Immediate Past-President, Hawaii Dental Association

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Mahalo for your support.

With aloha,

Gary T. Oda
689-7966

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From: Lyle T. [tenjomamsd@cs.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2009 4:40 PM
To: HLTtestimony
Subject: Please Help Your Hawaii Dental Association's Legislative Program

Lyle T.
1441 Kapiolani Blvd., #1120
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March 18, 2009

House of Representatives Health Committee HI

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Keith K. Kuroiwa
615 Piikoi Street PH-3
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Patrick Hayashi
1144 12th Ave
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Patrick Hayashi
808-7373311

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1060 Young Street, Suite 201
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Arthur Kamisugi, DDS, MSD
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Loren Liebling
579 Keolu Dr. Unit E
Kailua, HI 96734-3980

March 18, 2009

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Please support this bill.

Mahalo for your support.

With aloha,

Loren Liebling
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1885 Main St., Ste. 208
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Eugene Yamaguma, DDS, MSD
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Garrett T. Hayashi, DDS
1003 Bishop Street, Pauahi Tower #393
Honolulu, HI 96813

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Dr. Neal N. Tamura

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With aloha,

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Marcus Hannah
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Mahalo for your support.

With aloha,

steve kumasaka

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March 18, 2009

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Please help us protect patients before a major incident occurs. Patients with broken or leaking fillings may experience moderate to severe pulpitis. Tissue burns can occur without barrier protection.

Waiting for a severe mishap to occur will put Hawaii in the spotlight again as occurred with the screwdriver incident in Hilo. Alabama's courts have already ruled against White Smile USA

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