STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2360

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3022

S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred S.B. No. 3022 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to increase the excise tax on cigarettes and small cigars and after June 30, 2013, and thereafter, direct portions of the tax revenue to be deposited into the Hawaii cancer research special fund, trauma system special fund, community health centers special fund, and emergency medical services special fund.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the American Heart Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Tax Foundation of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that a tax increase on cigarettes and small cigars may serve to discourage individuals, especially lower-income individuals and youths, from purchasing cigarettes and small cigars.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of January 1, 2050, to allow for further discussion.

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.

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No. 3022, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3022, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

JOSH GREEN, M.D., Chair

The Senate Twenty-Sixth Legislature State of Hawai'i

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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
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NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)		$\overline{\hspace{1cm}}$			
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