Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 188

S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 188 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the law relating to taxation.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting language to curtail tobacco use among adolescents and young adults and increase state tax revenue as a result of in-state cigar sales by:

- (1) Adding a new definition of "premium cigar" and repealing the definition of "large cigar;" and
- (2) Increasing the tax rate on sales of certain tobacco products.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 188, as amended herein, and recommends that it be recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 188, S.D. 1, for further consideration.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DAVID Y. IGE Cha Yr

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

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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					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)					-
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)					
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		,		/	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.			- <u>.</u>		
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		1/			
ESPERO, Will					
KAHELE, Gilbert		//			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.		//			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.		<u> </u>	•••		
RUDERMAN, Russell E.		_//			
THIELEN, Laura H.		V			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	·	_//	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
SLOM, Sam		<i>'</i>			
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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