THE SENATE THE TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2014

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MEASURES DEFERRED TO MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014

DATE: Monday, February 10, 2014 TIME: 1:00 PM PLACE: Conference Room 229 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

<u>SB2495</u> Status and Testimony

RELATING TO ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES.

Requires persons engaged as wholesalers and dealers of electronic smoking devices and retailers of electronic smoking devices to obtain a license from the department of health. Limits the retail sale of electronic smoking devices to those retailers who also hold a retail tobacco permit. Specifies that the revenue from electronic smoking device license fees shall be used to support smoking cessation programs in the State. Amends Hawaii's antismoking statute to prohibit the use of electronic smoking devices in places open to the public and places of employment. Clarifies that the sale, distribution, or display of electronic smoking devices is restricted in the same manner as cigarettes and other tobacco products.

<u>SB2496</u> Status and Testimony

RELATING TO TOBACCO PRODUCTS.

Imposes an excise tax equal to eighty-five per cent of the wholesale price of any tobacco product, other than large cigars, sold by a wholesaler or dealer on and after January 1, 2015, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer. Requires any increase in the excise tax rate imposed on cigarettes on or after 1/1/2015 to trigger an automatic excise tax increase on other tobacco products on or after 1/1/2015. Requires the additional moneys collected under the excise tax to be deposited to the credit of the Hawaii cancer research special fund.



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No testimony will be accepted.

FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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