

HB940 HD1

Measure Title: RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS.
Report Title: Regulation of Tobacco Products
Description: Amends Chapter 328J, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to prohibit the use of electronic smoking devices in places where smoking is prohibited. (HB940 HD1)
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**Testimony in SUPPORT of HB0940, HD1
RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS**

SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
Hearing Date: April 1, 2015 Room Number: 229

1 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

2 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health (DOH) strongly supports HB0940, HD1
3 which is an Administration bill prohibiting the use of electronic smoking devices (ESDs) in
4 places where smoking is already illegal. The public health concern is for the protection from the
5 unregulated use of these potentially hazardous products.

6 The use of ESDs in existing smoke-free locations has the potential to expose non-
7 smokers and vulnerable populations such as children and pregnant women to aerosolized
8 nicotine and other toxic substances.^{1,2} The measure would protect members of the public from
9 unwittingly inhaling the condensed submicron liquid droplets emitted by ESDs that may contain
10 nicotine, and carcinogens such as formaldehyde, metals and nitrosamines.³ The use of ESDs in
11 traditionally smoke-free areas also causes confusion in the enforcement of smoke-free laws,
12 creates distractions in work environments, and renormalizes smoking behavior.

13 The new and revised definitions in this measure are consistent with the *Sottera, Inc. v.*
14 *U.S. Food and Drug Administration* (FDA), 627 F.3d 891 (D.C. Cir. 2010) case ruling, upheld
15 on appeal in the U.S. court, which found that the FDA has the authority to regulate ESDs or any
16 product made or derived from tobacco that is intended for human consumption as tobacco

¹ Wickstrom, R. (2007) Effects of nicotine during pregnancy: human and experimental evidence. *Current Neuropharmacology*, 5:3, 213-222.

² World Health Organization (2014) Electronic nicotine delivery systems: Report of the Conference to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control Sixth Session, October 13-18, 2014 Moscow Russian Federation. Provisional agenda 4.4.2 Available at: http://apps.who.int/gb/ctc/PDF/cop6/FCTC_COP6_10-en.pdf

³ Offerman, F.J. (2014) The hazards of e-cigarettes. *ASHRAE Journal*. June 2014. 38-44

1 products. The FDA has therefore issued a proposed rule that would extend the agency's tobacco
2 authority to cover ESDs.⁴

3 ESDs have become increasingly prevalent and widely available since their introduction to
4 the U.S. market. Since 2005, the ESD industry has grown from one manufacturer in China to an
5 estimated market value of \$3 billion in global business with 466 brands. It has become a
6 profitable business that the tobacco industry is gradually taking over.

7 ESDs produce an aerosol that is not merely "water vapor." The aerosol contains several
8 carcinogens, such as formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, lead, nickel, chromium, and other hazardous
9 substances that, as cited by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, are
10 associated with a range of negative health effects such as skin, eye, and respiratory
11 irritation.^{5,6,7,8,9} These chemicals travel through the circulatory system to the brain and all
12 organs. The aerosol also contains high concentrations of ultrafine particles that are inhaled and
13 become trapped in the lungs.¹⁰ In recent months, significant international research has increased
14 the understanding of ESDs as harmful carcinogenic devices. In November 2014, researchers at
15 the Japanese Ministry of Health announced that they found ESDs contained greater levels of
16 cancer-causing agents than found in traditional cigarettes.¹¹

17 ESD companies, and the tobacco companies that have been acquiring the ESD
18 businesses, market and promote their use "anywhere," to encourage their social acceptability.
19 The World Health Organization has called for the regulation of ESDs and urges that their use
20 indoors be "banned" until exhaled aerosol is proven safe to bystanders and reasonable evidence
21 exists that smoke-free policy enforcement is not undermined.¹²

⁴ <http://www.fda.gov/TobaccoProducts/Labeling/ucm388395.htm> (accessed February 10, 2015)

⁵ Jensen, R. et al. (2015). Hidden Formaldehyde in E-Cigarette Aerosols. *New England Journal of Medicine* 2015; 372:392-394. Available at: www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMc1413069

⁶ Lerner, C.A., et al. (2015). Environmental health hazards of e-cigarettes and their components: Oxidants and copper in e-cigarette aerosols. *Environ Pollut.* 2015 Jan 8; 198C:100-1073

⁷ State of California Environmental Protection Agency Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986. (2013). Chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity. Available at: http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65/prop65_list/files/P65single091313.pdf

⁸ German Cancer Research Center. (2013). Red Series Tobacco Prevention and Tobacco Control Volume 19: Electronic Cigarettes - An Overview. Available at: www.dkfz.de/de/tabakkontrolle/download/Publikationen/RoteReihe/Band_19_ecigarettes_an_overview.pdf

⁹ Goniewicz, M. et al. (2013). Levels of selected carcinogens and toxicants in vapour from electronic cigarettes. *Tob. Control.* 1:1-8. Available at: www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23467656

¹⁰ Fuoco, F.C., et al., Influential parameters on particle concentration and size distribution in the mainstream of e-cigarettes. *Environ Pollut*, 2014. 184:p.523-9.

¹¹ AFP, November 27, 2014. Scientists Say E-Cigs Contain 10 Times As Many Cancer Chemicals As Cigarettes. Retrieved from <http://www.businessinsider.com/afp-e-cigarettes-contain-10-times-amount-of-carcinogens-japan-2014-11>

¹² World Health Organization (see footnote 2).

1 The authority to regulate where ESDs are used is in the domain of state and local
2 governments. To protect the health of the public, and provide clarity on smoke-free regulations,
3 274 municipalities and three states have now included ESDs in their smoke-free laws. In
4 January 2014, the DOH adopted its own internal policy banning ESD use on all DOH properties
5 and occupied premises. As of September 2014, the State Department of Accounting and General
6 Services further prohibited ESD use in and around all state buildings under its jurisdiction. Most
7 recently, Hawaii County enacted Bill 302, prohibiting the use of ESDs wherever tobacco
8 products are already illegal, and there currently is a similar bill being heard by the City and
9 County of Honolulu.

10 The DOH strongly supports this measure to provide protection from ESDs for the public.

11 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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March 30, 2015

TO: Members of the Senate Committees on Health and Commerce and Consumer Protection

RE: House Bill 940 HD1– **SUPPORT**

Date: Monday, March 30, 2015

FROM: Members of the University of Hawaii Student Health Advisory Council

The University of Hawaii Student Health Advisory Council strongly supports the efforts to pass HB 940 HD1 which would prohibit the use of e-cigarettes in all areas where smoking is prohibited by law.

The Student Health Advisory Council is a student leadership and advocacy group that plays a pivotal role in the development and implementation of the health policies and programs that impact the UH System campuses. E-cigarette companies target youth and young adults with marketing and advertising designed to get individuals addicted at an early age. In response, we are committed to the mission of improving college health by reducing the use of tobacco products including electronic smoking devices among the adolescent and young adult population.

Electronic smoking devices, just like other tobacco products, have no place in any workplace, which at the University of Hawaii can include classrooms, offices, libraries, study lounges, and lecture halls. These devices pose not only a public health concern, but are also a detrimental distraction to the learning environment. Therefore, the Student Health Advisory Council strongly supports HB 940 HD1

Mahalo nui loa, for your efforts to protect the young people of Hawaii.

Aloha,

Ku‘uleialohaonalani Salzer & Blane Garcia – Graduate Co Chairs

Stormy Dodge & Justin Suzuki – Undergraduate Co Chairs

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HB 940, HD1 - RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS.

Cory Chun, Government Relations Director – Hawaii Pacific
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in *support* of HB 940, HD1, which amends the state's smoke-free workplace statute to prohibit the use of electronic smoking devices in enclosed and partially enclosed public places where smoking is prohibited. We encourage the committee to consider moving this measure without any amendments, as this measure will accomplish its intended purpose without the amended signage requirement that was present in the original draft.

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) is the nation's leading cancer advocacy organization. ACS CAN works with federal, state, and local government bodies to support evidence-based policy and legislative solutions designed to eliminate cancer as a major health problem.

Electronic smoking devices are often designed to look like cigarettes, right down to the glowing tip. When the user puffs on it, the system delivers an aerosol that is inhaled. A growing number of studies have examined the contents of electronic smoking device aerosol. Unlike a vapor, an aerosol contains fine particles of liquid, solid, or both. Propylene glycol, nicotine, and flavorings were most commonly found in electronic smoking device aerosol. Other studies have found the aerosol to contain heavy metals, volatile organic compounds and tobacco-specific nitrosamines, among other potentially harmful chemicals. The electronic smoking device is often marketed as a way for a smoker to get nicotine in places where smoking is not allowed.

While the health effects of electronic smoking devices are currently under study, there are still serious questions about the safety of inhaling the substances in an electronic smoking device aerosol. Studies have shown that the use of electronic smoking devices can cause short-term lung changes and irritations, while the long-term health effects are

unknown. Both exposure to and health effects of secondhand aerosol from electronic smoking devices require further research, but preliminary studies indicate nonusers can be exposed to the same potentially harmful chemicals as users, including nicotine, ultrafine particles and volatile organic compounds. This exposure could be especially problematic for vulnerable populations such as children, pregnant women, and people with heart disease depending on the level of exposure.

Since the introduction of electronic smoking devices to the U.S. market, the marketing and use of these products have significantly increased. A U.S. Centers for Disease Control survey published in 2013 showed that electronic smoking device usage in middle school and high school students doubled between 2011 and 2012, increasing from 3.3 to 6.8 percent.

While electronic smoking device manufacturers may claim the ingredients are just “water vapor” or “safe,” without federal regulation there is no sure way for electronic smoking device users to know what they are consuming. Nor is there any way of knowing what nonusers are exposed to and the extent of the risk to their health. Additionally, there are hundreds of types of electronic smoking devices on the market today and the products vary considerably by ingredients, and quality control and assurance. Prohibiting the use of electronic smoking devices in workplaces, restaurants, and bars can protect the public health by preventing nonusers from being exposed to nicotine and other potentially harmful chemicals in these products.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this matter.



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To: The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Members, Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Lyndsey Garcia, Policy and Advocacy Director
Date: March 31, 2015
Hrg: Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection; Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 9:30AM in Room 229

Re: **Strong support for HB 940, HD1, Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products**

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony in **strong support** of House Bill 940, HD1, which regulates the use of electronic smoking devices (ESDs) in places where smoking is prohibited by amending Section 328J of the Hawai'i Revised Statutes.

The Coalition for a Tobacco Free Hawai'i (Coalition) is a program of the Hawai'i Public Health Institute working to reduce tobacco use through education, policy, and advocacy. Our program consists of over 100 member organizations and 2,000 advocates that work to create a healthy Hawai'i through comprehensive tobacco prevention and control efforts.

The Coalition supports including ESDs in Hawai'i's smoke-free air laws, which will provide for further consistency and protections of our residents and visitors.

The Coalition supports including "electronic smoking devices" in the definition of "tobacco product" and "smoke or smoking" in the smoke-free workplace law, and to prohibit the use of electronic smoking devices in the places where smoking is prohibited. The Coalition supports the definitions provided in this bill as they have been reviewed by the State Department of Health and the State Attorney General's Office.

Currently ESDs are not regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and are not FDA approved cessation devices. As the devices are unregulated, all emissions and chemicals released in exhalation are also unregulated. There is no way for users to know how much nicotine or other potentially harmful chemicals they are inhaling because there are no government requirements on manufacturing, quality, content, or standard labelling. The *New York Times* reported in December that **90%** of the world's e-cigarettes are manufactured in China, virtually unregulated, where flawed or sloppy manufacturing could account for some of the heavy metals, carcinogens and other dangerous compounds detected in some ESDs.¹

ESDs do not emit only harmless "water vapor," but rather an aerosol which contains particulate matter. ESD aerosol contains nicotine, ultra-fine particles, and toxic chemicals including

¹ http://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/14/business/international/chinas-e-cigarette-boom-lacks-oversight-for-safety-.html?_r=0



formaldehyde, lead, nickel, and acetaldehyde, all of which are known to cause cancer, birth defects, and other reproductive harm.^{2,3}

It is vital that we protect everyone from the dangers of secondhand aerosol. According to Dr. Stanton Glantz, Director for the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education at the University of California, San Francisco, "If you are around somebody who is using e-cigarettes, you are breathing an aerosol of exhaled nicotine, ultra-fine particles, volatile organic compounds, and other toxins."⁴ Studies have shown that even ESDs claiming to not contain nicotine contain low levels of nicotine.⁵ The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends that "legal steps should be taken to end use of e-cigarettes indoors in public and work places. Evidence suggest that exhaled e-cigarette aerosol increases the background air level of some toxicants, nicotine and particles."⁶

Emerging research shows dual use where cigarette users switch to ESDs in locations they are not permitted to smoke.⁷ Allowing the use of ESDs where smoking is prohibited is problematic as ESD use puts innocent bystanders around the ESD user who breathe ESD aerosol at risk for illness, creates distractions in the workplace, threatens the social norm, and undercuts years of progress by tobacco control groups.

The Coalition is extremely concerned about the rising trend of youth ESD use.

In Hawai'i, high school tobacco use rate has continued to drop over the last decade from 24.5% in 2000 to 8.7% in 2011, however the use of e-cigarettes is on the rise.⁸ Youth usage of ESDs is at an alarming rate especially in the state of Hawai'i where teen use is twice as high as the national average. According to the Hawai'i Youth Tobacco Survey (2013) youth usage (at least once in the past 30 days) tripled (18%) among high school students and quadrupled (8%) among middle school students. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports more than a quarter-million youth who had never smoked a cigarette used e-cigarettes in 2013.

State and local action is key to regulating ESD use

While the Coalition welcomes federal regulations on ESDs, we do not believe Hawai'i can afford to wait for the FDA to issue regulations on ESDs. According to Dr. Stanton Glantz in reaction to possible forthcoming rules on ESDs from the FDA: "The meaningful action of e-cigarettes will remain at the state and local level, especially including them in clean indoor air

² Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights, "Electronic Smoking Devices and Secondhand Aerosol" (2014). Available at <http://www.no-smoke.org/pdf/ecigarette-secondhand-aerosol.pdf>.

³ California Department of Public Health, "State Health Officer's Report on E-Cigarettes: A Community Health Threat." January 2015. Available at <http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/tobacco/Documents/Media/State%20Health-e-cig%20report.pdf>.

⁴ Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights, "Electronic Smoking Devices and Secondhand Aerosol" (2014). Available at www.no-smoke.org/pdf/ecigarette-secondhand-aerosol.pdf.

⁵ Available at <http://northcoastalpreventioncoalition.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/E-Cigarettes-Fact-Sheet.pdf>.

⁶ Noncommunicable diseases and mental health: Background on WHO report on regulation of e-cigarettes and similar products." Available at: <http://www.who.int/nmh/events/2014/background-e-cigarettes/en>

⁷ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Notes from the field: electronic cigarette use among middle and high school students -- United States, 2011-2012. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2013;62:729-730. Available at http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6235a6.htm?s_cid=mm6235a6_w

⁸ The Hawaii Health Data Warehouse, State of Hawaii, Hawaii School Health Survey, Youth Tobacco Survey Module. Available at: http://www.hhdw.org/cms/uploads/Data%20Source_%20YTS/YTS_Prevalence_IND_00001.pdf.



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laws (I hope that the state and local policy makers do not swallow the inevitable [sic] arguments that they don't need anything because the FDA is taking care of it.)"⁹

Restricting ESD use is a growing trend across the U.S. More than 275 municipalities and three states restrict the use of ESDs in smoke-free environments including New York City, Los Angeles, Long Beach, San Diego, Boston, and Hawai'i County. In Hawai'i, state and county officials have taken the first few steps in regulating ESDs. The State moved to protect employees, first prohibiting the use in all Department of Health facilities, then by extending it to all buildings under Department of Accounting and General Services. In December, the Hawai'i County Council passed a bill that includes ESDs in all their smoke-free ordinances.

We respectfully ask you to pass HB 940, HD1, to build upon Hawai'i's previous successes and ensure the safety of everyone.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

Respectfully,

Lyndsey Garcia
Policy and Advocacy Director

⁹ Stanton Glantz, "First reaction to e-cigarette deeming (based on press reports): FDA leaves ecigarette marketing unscathed."
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Testimony in SUPPORT of HB 940, HD1 “Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products”

The American Heart Association SUPPORTS HB 940, HD1 “Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products.”

The AHA considers e-cigarettes that contain nicotine to be tobacco products and therefore supports their regulation under existing laws relating to the use and marketing of tobacco products. To prevent the potential negative public health impact of e-cigarettes, we strongly support laws and regulation that prohibit the sale and marketing of e-cigarettes to youth. We support effective regulation that addresses marketing, labeling, quality control of manufacturing, and standards for contaminants. **We also support the inclusion of e-cigarettes in smoke-free air laws.** Moreover, we consider it important to monitor and prevent these products from serving as gateway products or as an initiation to nicotine addiction in nonsmokers and re-initiation in smokers. These policy recommendations were developed by an expert advisory group and leading researchers in the field of tobacco control and prevention and e-cigarettes in tandem with a comprehensive review of the literature. The association’s policy guidance will continue to be updated as rapidly evolving evidence emerges. We will continue to assess the scientific evidence relating to e-cigarettes long-term health effects and their efficacy as a smoking cessation aid and encourage the development of a robust research agenda to understand the public health impact of e-cigarettes, especially in at-risk populations.

Although the levels of toxic constituents in e-cigarette aerosol are much lower than those in cigarette smoke, there is still some level of passive exposure to organic compounds, nicotine, and fine particles. To date, there is insufficient evidence to support the notion that exposure to exhaled aerosol has a deleterious impact on bystanders. Some studies have found very low concentrations of air pollutants across different types, liquids, puff durations, and nicotine concentrations. The levels of particle and nicotine exposure vary with the composition of the liquids, the type of e-cigarette, size of the room, puff duration, interval between puffs, and the number of users.

Nevertheless, there is concern that nonsmokers will be involuntarily exposed to nicotine, which could be substantial where there is heavy e-cigarette use in confined spaces. Secondhand exposure to e-cigarette aerosol exposes a nonsmoker to nicotine, particulates, and several potentially toxic organic chemicals, but at much lower levels than from conventional cigarette smoke. The biological effects of such an exposure are expected to be much less than that of secondhand smoke, but nonsmokers are exposed to some nicotine, and the regular use of e-cigarettes has the potential to substantially contaminate the environment with nicotine.

Moreover, unregulated e-cigarette use has the potential to recreate a social norm around tobacco product use in public places, unraveling decades of work on comprehensive smoke-free air laws. It is not always easy to identify that a person is using an e-cigarette, because there is not the large plume of smoke or the strong detectable odor that comes from

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conventional cigarettes. Therefore, the use of e-cigarettes creates enforcement issues for employees in restaurants, bars, airport terminals, planes, and other smoke-free public places. E-cigarette companies are marketing their products to be used in all the places where smoking is banned, including bars, restaurants, hotels, offices, and airplanes, which promotes unregulated use.

Although the AHA supports the inclusion of e-cigarettes in new smoke-free laws, the AHA only supports changing existing smoke-free laws to include e-cigarettes when it can be ensured there will be no amendments attached to the legislation that would weaken existing laws.

Please support HB 940, HD1.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Ho, M.D.

Cardiologist, American Heart Association Hawaii Division Board Member

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April Pacheco	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: It looks like the legislature is actually trying to increase tobacco sales with this bill. Never thought I'd see the day when Roz Baker voted to increase tobacco smoking rates.

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Comments: Stop trying to ban a safe product. The FDA hasn't come out against the product, have they?

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Testimony of Professor Mark A. Levin *in strong support* for HB 940 HD1

RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
April 1, 2015

Chair Baker, Vice-Chair Taniguchi, and members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

Aloha. In the 1950's, the tobacco industry fooled the world by marketing filtered cigarettes. These weren't safer, though millions of people died having been led to believe they were. Meanwhile tobacco smoke pollution brought down those around them as well.

In the 1970's, the industry scammed the public by marketing light and mild cigarettes. Once again, not safer but this too was a great boost to keep people addicted, and paying for it with wallets and lives. Secondhand death and disease continued too.

Finally, in the 1990's, lawmakers around the globe began stepping forward to right these wrongs. The work is incomplete, but in our state, our legislators, many of you among them, took important steps forward including our 2006 Smokefree Workplaces Law and with several significant tax increases.

Here we go again. New addictive vapor devices are pitched to be a route to safer use. Again these are simply a boost for the industry to keep people addicted *and even to hook new users among our youth*. But with Big Tobacco's deadly track record, in what right minds should we trust public health to the unregulated aerosol particles sent off by the latest devices?

Though you may get local testimony, addictive vapors are surely Big Tobacco's 21st century hope. If these devices have therapeutic merit, let the sellers prove that to expert regulators in accordance with federal food and drug laws. But they haven't, won't, and can't. In the meanwhile then, let's be smart and safe -- setting all legal structures to be the same as for incendiary tobacco products. No special treatment belongs here; please pass HB 940 HD1.

Mahalo.

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HB940

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Testimony for CPN on Apr 1, 2015 09:30AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mark Dietrich	Individual	Oppose	No

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Susan Larson	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Vaping benefits those who want to quit. Banning it is wrong.

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Re: Opposition to HB940

Hearing: CPN, Wednesday, April 1, 2015, 9:30 am

I oppose bill HB940.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Tommy Nguyen

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Dear Committee Members:

As a pediatrician in Honolulu and medical director of the HEALTHY Tobacco & Nicotine Cessation Program, I strongly support HB 940 HD1.

Electronic smoking devices are clearly products meant to approximate the use of cigarettes and other tobacco products. The inclusion of electronic devices that vaporize nicotine is an important step in maintaining consistency in the laws. The definition of tobacco product and smoking must also include the use of these electronic smoking devices, which should be prohibited in the same places that smoking is prohibited, including smoke-free workplaces.

Electronic smoking devices take a mixture of chemicals, including nicotine, and vaporize it at high temperatures. These devices emit nicotine byproducts and a variety of other chemicals, and they have not been fully studied in regards to safety. E-cigarette vapor has been shown to include carcinogens and toxins including nicotine, nitrosamines, diethylene glycol, formaldehyde, and acetaldehyde. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has exhibited concern regarding the safety of electronic smoking devices as well.

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I urge you to pass HB 940 HD1 and continue to promote health over corporate interests.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this important measure.

Sincerely,

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From: [Erin Bantum](#)
To: [CPN Testimony](#)
Subject: Strong Support for HB 940, HD1, Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products
Date: Monday, March 30, 2015 10:03:55 AM

March 30, 2015

To: The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
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To: [CPN Testimony](#)
Subject: Strong Support for HB 940, HD1, Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products
Date: Monday, March 30, 2015 10:07:44 AM

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Subject: Strong Support for HB 940, HD1, Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products
Date: Monday, March 30, 2015 12:49:54 PM

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From: [Lani Nagao](#)
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Date: Monday, March 30, 2015 1:19:02 PM

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To: [CPN Testimony](#)
Subject: Strong Support for HB 940, HD1, Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products
Date: Monday, March 30, 2015 10:18:17 AM

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From: [Nicole Spalding](#)
To: [CPN Testimony](#)
Subject: For our childrens future
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To: [CPN Testimony](#)
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Mahalo

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Thank you. Valerie Yontz

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This bill screams knee jerk overreaction/ over regulation. Personally this is a wedge issue and I WILL keep track of who supports this bill and remember and share with every vaper I know. Think about how close your last race was before you vote yes and screw over your constituents. This bill is so far from reasonable it's laughable.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Lane Tamashiro
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Megan McCommon
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