STAND. COM. REP. NO. 799

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1009 S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 1009, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FLAVORED TOBACCO PRODUCTS," begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to ban the sale of flavored tobacco products.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Department of Education; Department of Health; Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Hawai'i; Hawai'i Pacific Health; Hawaii Primary Care Association; Hawaii Youth Services Network; Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association; Hawaii State Teachers Association; Hawaii Public Health Association; Alexander Academy of Performing Arts; Hawaii COPD Coalition; Hawai'i Public Health Institute; The Man Cave; We Are One, Inc.; Hawaii Blue Zones Project; O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; African American Tobacco Control Leadership Council; Pioneering Healthier Communities of Honolulu; Lanai Community Health Center; Cancer Action Network; Mid-Pacific Do What You Love Service Club; Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women and Children; American Heart Association; University of Hawai'i Student Health Advisory Council; seventy-two individuals; and a petition signed by two hundred twelve dental hygienists. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Hi Lyfe Vaporz, LLC;

VOLCANO Fine Electronic Cigarettes; Cigar Association of America, Inc.; Nii Superette, Inc.; ABC Stores; Retail Merchants of Hawaii; Irie Hawaii Stores; Hawaii Smokers Alliance; twenty-eight individuals; and a petition signed by one hundred ten individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawaii Food Industry Association.

Your Committee finds that the use of flavored tobacco products is extremely prevalent among Hawaii's youth, and frequently results in the development of tobacco addiction. Almost all smokers start before the age of twenty-one, with most starting off using flavored tobacco products, which are often marketed to the State's youth. Your Committee further finds that the federal Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act prohibited characterizing flavors, including fruit and candy flavorings, in cigarettes but did not ban menthol in cigarettes or the use of characterizing flavors in other tobacco products. This measure will prohibit the sale or distribution of all flavored tobacco products, including products with menthol, in the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that penalties for unlawfully selling a flavored tobacco product apply to any retailer whose agents or employees violate the prohibition.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1009, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1009, S.D. 2.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair

The Senate Thirtieth 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					
Members		Aye /	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)					
WAKAI, Glenn (VC)		V/			
GABBARD, Mike		\checkmark			
KIM, Donna Mercado					V/
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